

THE AMERICAN LEGION

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For God and Country

A red American Legion flag is hanging on a wall made of light-colored square tiles. The flag is held in place by a white horizontal rod with white caps at each end. The word "HIS" is printed in large, white, serif capital letters on the left side of the flag.

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Death
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Part

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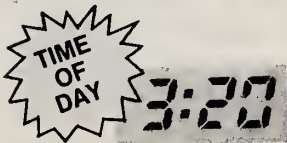
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About our authors . . .

Free-lancer **Joseph Stocker**, who wrote "The Bad News Bear," lives in Phoenix, AZ, where he writes about all sorts of wild and not-so-wild animals.

Philip C. Clarke covered U.S. forces

in Europe for AP in the '40s and '50s, before the serious drug trouble described in "War On Drugs: The Military Strikes Back."

Writing "Till Death Do Us Part" was difficult and emotionally draining, says author **Vernon Pizer**, but an ar-

ticle that needed to be done.

Gary Turbak, a free-lance journalist whose work has appeared in other issues of the Legion magazine, wrote "The Sullivan Sacrifice."

Cover by **Jim Chaney**.

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Commander's Message

Penny Wise, Pound Foolish



Jack W. Flynt

Newspaper headlines tell us that, among other things, April is a month of debate on Capitol Hill, particularly debate over the Administration's proposed federal budget for fiscal year 1983. At times, it can seem very confusing, this process of give-and-take communication, weighing pros and cons, sifting through mounds of information, statistics and projections.

For those who've done their homework, however, straightforward solutions and realistic goals can be identified. The legitimate and efficient use of our tax dollars can be directed. And important domestic and social programs can be salvaged.

Legionnaires and members of our Washington-based national staff have done their homework. That's why, even as you read this, one of the most respected, credible and articulate voices being heard on Capitol Hill these days is the voice of The American Legion.

This month I'd like to share with you what our collective voice is saying to members of Congress concerning the proposed Veterans Administration budget for fiscal year 1983.

The VA's share of the budget, some \$25.6 billion, represents about 3.2 percent of the government's total budget—down from VA's 3.3 percent share of the budget for fiscal year

1982. It is a decremental budget—that is, it fails to take into account the effects of inflation on veterans' programs. Further, it is a budget that seriously jeopardizes the viability of certain VA programs necessary if the government is to discharge its responsibilities—and promises—to the veteran and his family.

The two principal areas that most concern The American Legion are medical and prosthetic research, and construction. (At the same time we note that entitlement programs—such as pension, compensation and the GI Bill—are mandated at levels described by law and have thus been appropriately funded in this new budget.)

Medical and prosthetic research is an essential element of the veterans medical care program. That program has three parts: patient care, education (through affiliation with medical schools) and research.

The existence of a strong research program within the VA is one of the most compelling inducements to persuade high quality physicians to serve in the VA system. Physicians are also scientists. Many of them like to practice medicine in a setting where they have access to research facilities and can get research projects funded. Thus, a strong research program within VA leads to better clinical care for patients and advances the science of medicine in the United States.

When the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) continues to reduce the amounts provided for medical and prosthetic research (as they did last year) the research program is naturally weakened. If that happens, both veterans' medical care and U.S. medicine are losers.

In fiscal year 1982, the VA's research budget was cut \$22.5 million, thus seriously damaging ongoing research projects. The proposed FY83 budget for research is up only \$9.5 million, which is neither enough to correct the damage already done to ongoing research projects nor representative of the costs of inflation.

Thus, we will fight any further reductions and seek the restoration of research funds already cut. Otherwise, the VA's programs of research will lose their viability.

The VA faces an equally serious

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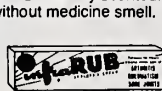


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Letters

Jamaica

• I was most encouraged by "Jamaica: A Win For The West" (February). It gives us reason to hope that more nations in this part of the world could be influenced by Edward Seaga's determined effort for democracy and free enterprise for his island nation.

DOMINICI MIRABELLI, JR.
Medford, MA

Walking

• Having been a confirmed walker for years, I was interested to read "Walk Your Way To Fitness" (February). At 85 I am in fine fettle and try to walk every day, or as often as possible. I can recommend this form of exercise for a lifetime physical fitness regimen.

ALFRED HANSEN
Elk Horn, IA

• "Walk Your Way To Fitness" was of particular interest to me, as I am recovering from heart by-pass surgery and try to walk every day. With the passing of the months the exercise of walking and the clear air have helped me to overcome the initial post-surgery fear of physical exertion. Presented in this article is a program to enjoy and at the same time attain better health.

VIRGINIA W. ANDERSON
Colonial Heights, VA

Steel Pot

• Thanks to Robert Southee for "The Steel Pot" (February). During a recent visit my young grandson was intrigued by my WWII helmet and lining, and also its fascinating history as portrayed in your article.

M. S. RIPLEY
Beacon Falls, CT

ROTC

• Tom Wolpert's "ROTC: Is The Comeback Complete?" (February) was most interesting, but I believe ROTC would make a better comeback by offering an off-campus program. For 50 years the Marines have offered the Platoon Leader Course of two-to-six weeks in summer camps

for college students. A similar program extended to cover the other services would serve to give a new dimension to ROTC.

ROBERT W. CEDER
Sheboygan, WI

• Since author Tom Wolpert researched the article "ROTC: Is The Comeback Complete?", Congress has authorized 2,000 additional scholarships for FY1982. This expansion reflects greater reliance on ROTC to provide college educated junior officers for the Armed Forces in the next decade.

DIANNE L. GAY
ROTC Training &
Education Analyst
Office: ASSTSECDEF
Washington, DC

Nuclear Risk

• I very much enjoyed Dr. Bernard L. Cohen's "Is Nuclear Power Too Risky?" (January). This is a rare example of an article on nuclear power written by someone who actually has his facts straight and knows what he is talking about. I feel you performed a valuable service to your members by publishing this article.

R. SCOTT VOIGT
Mattoon, IL

• We accept the scientific evidence that the burning and mining of coal damages our health and environment. However, Dr. Cohen has not addressed the similar problems associated with the nuclear industry. What about the inherent risks in uranium mining and refining, the manufacture of fuel rods, the storage and transportation of spent fuel? Certainly our basic needs for heat, lighting and transportation are immediate, however, we must recognize that decisions concerning the use of nuclear power are being made that not only adversely affect our lives, but those of many future generations.

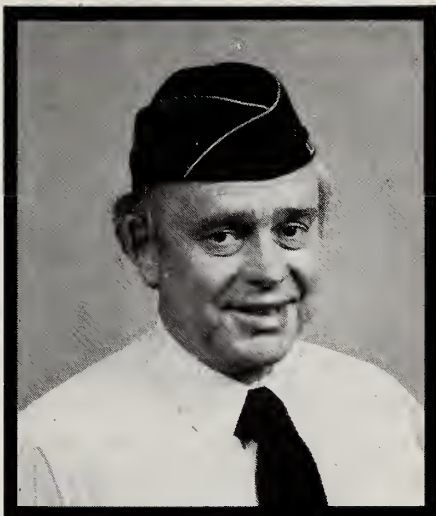
PAULINE E. WATSON
Penn Yan, NY

Truoi Bridge

• Although our friends, the ARVN, abandoned us often, it was refreshing to read the facts as presented by Johnnie M. Clark in "Battle For (Continued on page 56)

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1958 This Korea-era vet joined the official American Legion Life Insurance Plan the first year it was offered—1958. He paid \$24 per unit of protection. What does a unit cost him today? \$24!



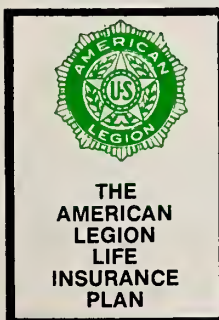
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And finally, the plan is available by mail only—a most efficient way to deliver quality insurance protection. Fact is, the plan has paid over \$38,000,000 in benefits to Legionnaires' beneficiaries since its official adoption in 1958.

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†PRORATED PREMIUM TO SEND WITH YOUR APPLICATION. The premiums shown above are for the full year of 1982 for approved applications effective May 1, 1982. Premiums for applications approved for June 1 or later are proportionately less, by \$2 PER UNIT PER MONTH, and any overpayments will be refunded. Premiums accompanying non-approved applications will be refunded in full.

EFFECTIVE DATE Your insurance becomes effective on the first day of the month coinciding with or next following the date your application is approved by the Insurance Company. Insurance may be maintained in force by payment of premiums when due.

NOTICE OF DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION

Information regarding your insurability will be treated as confidential except that Transamerica Occidental Life Insurance Co. may make a brief report to the Medical Information Bureau (M.I.B.), a non-profit membership organization of life insurance companies which operates an information exchange on behalf of its members. Upon request by another member insurance company to which you have applied for life or health insurance, or to which a claim is submitted, the M.I.B. will supply such company with the information it may have in its files.

The Company may also release information in its file to its reinsurers and to other life insurance companies to which you may apply for life or health insurance, or to which a claim is submitted.

Upon receipt of a request from you, the M.I.B. will arrange disclosure of any information it may have in your file. Medical information will only be disclosed to your attending physician. If you question the accuracy of information in the Bureau's file you may seek correction in accordance with the procedures set forth in the Federal Fair Credit Reporting Act. The address of the Bureau's information office is P.O. Box 105, Essex Station, Boston, Mass. 02112; Phone (617) 426-3660.

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Age at Death	8 Units \$192 per yr.	7 Units \$168 per yr.	6 Units \$144 per yr.	5 Units \$120 per yr.	4 Units \$96 per yr.	3 Units \$72 per yr.	2 Units \$48 per yr.	1 Unit \$24 per yr.
Through age 29	\$96,000	\$84,000	\$72,000	\$60,000	\$48,000	\$36,000	\$24,000	\$12,000
30-34	76,800	67,200	57,600	48,000	38,400	28,800	19,200	9,600
35-44	43,200	37,800	32,400	27,000	21,600	16,200	10,800	5,400
45-54	21,120	18,480	15,840	13,200	10,560	7,920	5,280	2,640
55-59	11,520	10,080	8,640	7,200	5,760	4,320	2,880	1,440
60-64	7,680	6,720	5,760	4,800	3,840	2,880	1,920	960
65-69	4,800	4,200	3,600	3,000	2,400	1,800	1,200	600
70-74*	3,168	2,772	2,376	1,980	1,584	1,188	792	396
75*-Over	2,400	2,100	1,800	1,500	1,200	900	600	300
Prorated Premium†	\$128	\$112	\$96	\$80	\$64	\$48	\$32	\$16

*No persons age 70 or over (including those desiring additional coverage) will be accepted for new insurance.

INCONTESTABILITY Your coverage shall be incontestable after it has been in force during your lifetime for two years from its effective date.

MAIL TO: The American Legion Life Insurance Plan
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Application Subject to Underwriter's Approval

ENROLLMENT CARD FOR YEARLY RENEWABLE TERM LIFE INSURANCE FOR MEMBERS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION

Full Name _____ Birth Date _____
Last First Middle Mo. Day Year

Permanent Residence _____
Street City State Zip

Name of Beneficiary _____ Relationship _____
Example: Print "Helen Louise Jones." Not "Mrs. H. L. Jones"

Membership Card No. _____ Year _____ Post No. _____ State _____

I apply for the number of units indicated: ☐

The following representations shall form a basis for the Insurance Company's approval or rejection of this enrollment: Answer all questions.

1. Present occupation? _____ Are you now actively working?
Yes ☐ No ☐ If no, give reason _____
2. Have you been confined in a hospital within the last year? No ☐ Yes ☐ If yes, give date, length of stay and cause _____
3. During the last five years, have you had heart disease, circulatory disease, kidney disease, liver disease, lung disease, diabetes, or cancer, or have you had or received treatment or medication for high blood pressure or alcoholism? No ☐ Yes ☐ If yes, give details _____

I represent that to the best of my knowledge, all statements and answers recorded on this enrollment card are true and complete. I agree that this enrollment card shall be a part of any insurance granted upon it under the policy. I authorize any physician or other person who has attended or examined me, or who may attend or examine me, to disclose or to testify to any knowledge thus acquired.

Dated _____, 19____ Signature of Applicant _____
The American Legion offers this insurance through Transamerica Occidental Life Insurance Company, 5482 Home Office: Los Angeles, California (Univ.)
GMA-300-19 12-79

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND AUTHORIZATION

I have received and read the Notice of Disclosure of Information at left. Further, I authorize any physician, medical practitioner, hospital, clinic, or other medical or medically related facility, insurance company, the Medical Information Bureau or other organization, institution or person having any records or knowledge of me or of my health to give Transamerica Occidental Life Insurance Company any such information.

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Dated _____, 19____ Signature of Applicant _____

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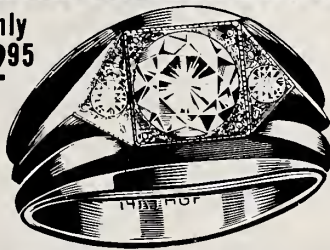
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News to Use

To Obtain College Tuition Aid—Learn Ropes

Estimates indicate that today at least half of all college students receive outside financial aid. If you think your children will need help to get (or finish) a higher education, learn the ropes early—the earlier, the better.

1) Right off, you should know (many people don't) that virtually all colleges—your primary source of assistance—use an identical system for determining and providing aid.

2) The vital first step in applying is to complete a "Financial Aid Form" (FAF), devised by the College Scholarship Service (CSS). The object of this document, which consists of some 60 detailed questions, is to determine the financial condition of the applicant.

3) When you return the completed form to CSS, it calculates a "contribution" figure (what the applicant and his family theoretically can pony up toward an education), and forwards it to the proper college.

4) The college subtracts the CSS figure—perhaps with some adjustments—from the full cost of attending the institution (tuition, board, books, personal expenses and transportation). The difference is "financial need"—the maximum aid a student can expect.

5) Aid itself can be an outright grant, a loan, part-time work, or some combination of the three.

6) Neediest students have top priority for assistance, though many colleges will take quality of scholastic achievement into account, too.

7) Because the available amount of aid varies from college to college, your student should apply to several institutions simultaneously, preferably scattering the choices among high cost, medium cost and low cost schools.

IRAs: Wise Investment Over Long Haul

If all those financial ads promising you great wealth via IRA's (Individual Retirement Accounts) sound suspicious to you, think twice. There is more than a grain of truth in them, because IRA's are an advantageous way to invest long-term. But first ask yourself:

How much can I afford? That's up to you. Legally, you can set aside \$2,000 (\$2,250 if you have a non-working spouse) per year and defer taxes on both principal and interest. But you don't have to set aside the full amount. In fact, you can skip some years if you want to. Even a very modest contribution of \$100 annually at 10 percent annual compound interest will grow to nearly \$50,000 in 40 years.

But remember: You can't draw your money out prematurely without penalty, and you will have to pay taxes at the end of the line.

Where should I invest? You have a wide choice—bank plans, CDs, bonds, stocks, mutual funds, money-market funds, credit unions, sometimes even via your employer. One rule of thumb is that the younger you are, the more risks you can afford; for older people, it's the other way around. Moreover, you can shift from one form of investment to another by transferring, or you can start a second or third account—just so long as you don't draw out any money ahead of time. If you do you will be penalized. Serious homework will pay off because very sizeable sums could be at stake.

Bright Spots In The News

Automotive: Although the costs of operating a car continue to rise steadily (somewhere around 18 percent last year) there's a bright bit of news for those who want to trade or sell their cars: Used-car prices have been going up at an annual rate of better than 30 percent.

Medical: A new oral drug has just been approved by the government to alleviate angina pectoris (chest pains caused by blocked arteries) and delay—or even eliminate—some coronary bypass surgery. It's a nifedipine product and works on the principle of dilating coronary arteries by impeding calcium influx.

By Edgar A. Grunwald

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Big Issues

Should Daylight Saving Time Be Extended?



*Rep. Tony
P. Hall
(D-Ohio)*

Yes. The extension of Daylight Saving Time from six to eight months is a simple measure that can save us energy with almost no effort. Other benefits include the reduction of violent crime and improved traffic safety.

Under existing law, Daylight Saving Time is in effect from the last Sunday in April to the last Sunday in October. One proposal would add two more months to

Daylight Saving Time so that it would begin the first Sunday in March. That does not necessarily mean that in March and April sunrise will come at an unfamiliar or shockingly late hour. Sunrise in those months would occur at the same time of the day as comparable days in September and October.

The philosophy behind the extension is simple. Daylight Saving Time helps make more efficient use of the sun so that daylight falls on the most productive hours of the day. This system, which has proved its effectiveness for six months of the year, would be more productive for eight months.

By adding two more months to Daylight Saving Time, we can save the equivalent of 100,000 barrels of oil each day during those months through reduced use of electric lights. As the price of energy increases in the coming years, this saving will become more valuable.

According to the Department of Transportation, the number of traffic fatalities in March and April could be reduced by as many as 200 if Daylight Saving Time was in effect during those two months. Another study, by the Justice Department, determined that Daylight Saving Time could result in the reduction of violent crimes by 10 to 13 percent during March and April. Extension could also increase recreational time, extend prime shopping hours and assist some hundreds of thousands of Americans who are stricken with Retinitis Pigmentosa (night blindness).

All of this can be done without a new government program, without setting up complex regulations and without spending tax dollars.

The fear for schoolchildren waiting for buses in the dark mornings is not borne out by facts. By studying patterns in 1974 and 1975 when Daylight Saving Time was in effect for March and April, government agencies found there was no greater risk to school-age children with the later hour of sunrise.

Public opinion polls taken throughout the 1970s have shown that the American people solidly favor extending Daylight Saving Time. For the vast majority of the people, it makes sense and will save dollars.



*Rep. Gene
Taylor
(R-MO)*

No. The recent decision by the House to add an additional two months to our annual observance of Daylight Saving Time was nothing less, as I view it, than more government intrusion into the lives of the American people.

It also represents another confrontation between rural America and the cities, with the rural point of view ending up with the short end of the stick, which happens more

and more often during each session of the Congress. It is a clear indication of the declining number of rural representatives in the House and Senate.

Rural residents have historically viewed Daylight Saving Time with dismay. Most all of their children ride buses to school and thus are forced to wait, at considerable risk, in the cold, dark, often rainy part of the morning for their transportation. Those who live close enough to school to walk are also in danger because they usually do not have sidewalks to walk on.

The National Bureau of Standards stated: "School-aged children suffered an increased number of fatal accidents in the morning during the four months, January to April, in 1974 under year-round Daylight Saving Time (brought on by the oil emergency), as compared to the same period in 1973 when Daylight Saving Time was not in effect."

Furthermore, cows aren't milked by the clock. Most farm chores, such as milking and feeding livestock, are performed in the early morning. Taking away an hour of daylight at that time certainly does not set well with the people who provide our food and fiber. As one of my colleagues remarked during the course of debate: "Who's going to wake up the rooster when the clock says it's time, but the sun does not agree?"

The proponents argue that Daylight Saving Time can mean savings of up to 100,000 barrels of oil each day. This contention is simply not borne out by the facts. On the contrary, during the hearings on the legislation, testimony from the Bureau of Standards asserted: "The available data does not lead to any conclusions on the possible energy savings, except that further studies would be extremely expensive to perform."

The report that accompanied the bill also contained information from a study by the Department of Transportation to the effect that a very modest benefit might be realized by a shift in time; but the report also indicated that the potential benefits were small and difficult to isolate from the larger effect from seasonal variations.

No Daylight Saving Time is probably best, six months is tolerable, but eight is more than enough.

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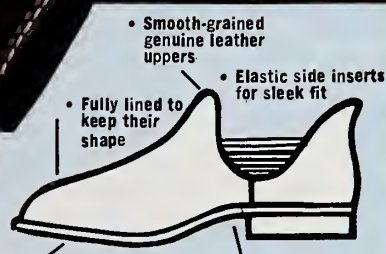
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The Bad News Bear

It takes a lot of food to satisfy the appetite of a black bear like this one—and he doesn't care how or where he gets that food.

A good way to get a hungry and unwanted bear behind the steering wheel is to tease him with food through an open window.

Cute and cuddly, it can smash a cow's head with single swipe

By Joseph Stocker

Everyone knows the grizzly is a mean critter, but a good many people tend to take a benign view of the black bears they sometimes see in national parks and on backpacking trails. They equate them vaguely with Gentle Ben and the amiable image cast by TV spots featuring Smokey with a few words about the destructiveness of forest fires. If you're among the folks who think like that, you might give some thought to the following incident.

On an August day in 1977, a helicopter deposited 31-year-old Cynthia Dusel-Bacon at a spot in the Alaskan bush about 60 miles southeast of



Fairbanks. She was a geologist with the U.S. Geological Survey doing research on rock formations.

As she hiked along a ridge, a black bear about three feet tall suddenly broke from the brush. Dusel-Bacon did all the things you're supposed to do when you encounter a bear in the wilderness. She clapped her hands and banged on a rock with a hammer to make noise and scare the bear away. It wouldn't scare, but instead knocked her down. There she stayed and played dead. It attacked her nevertheless, tearing first at her right arm, then at her left. Somehow, she managed to get off a distress call on her portable radio. "This is Cynthia. Come quick, I'm being eaten by a bear!" A chopper arrived in time to save her life, but not her arms—both had to be amputated.

It's not known how many such horrors have occurred, but experts estimate that the number is considerable. For the black bear, far from being the avuncular Smokey or even the shy, woodsy creature portrayed by some environmentalists, is—or can be—a truly lethal animal. What makes him that way is an absolutely titanic appetite, a short fuse and his innate unpredictability. "Nobody knows one minute to the next what a black bear is going to do, and most of the time the bear doesn't know either," said Ike Cooper, a veteran Michigan bear hunter.

Next to venomous snakes, says outdoorsman/author Ben East, bears—blacks as well as grizzlies—are North America's greatest wildlife menace. And it's that element of unpredictability in their character that makes them so. Wolves are dangerous, but they don't attack, says East. Mountain lions attack, but there aren't that many of them. Bears attack, and there are plenty of them.

Even in an era of expanding urbanization and diminishing bear habitat, there are tens of thousands of blacks in the United States and Canada, including about 30 of the 48 contiguous states.

Add to all this the fact that Blackie has the wherewithal to do a great deal of damage both to people and things. "Black bears," said a game biologist who studied the spe-

cies extensively, "are equipped with teeth and claws as sharp as needles that give them the capability of killing a man with ease, and one swing of its powerful paw can crush the head of a cow."

There is even undeniable evidence that the black is, on occasion, a man-eater. In 1968, a middle-aged Indian guide in western Ontario was killed and partially devoured by a 300-pound male black bear. Three years before, a Minnesota man was attacked while he was fishing in a stream near his home. His body, partly consumed, was found nearby. Tracks showed that two or more bears took part in the macabre proceedings—and blacks were credited with the attack.

Blackie has an appetite that is about as eclectic as an appetite can get. He eats berries, nuts, fruits, herbs, bark, insects, eggs, birds, frogs, fish, small mammals, bees and any kind of human garbage he can get his paws on. In one notable case in Illinois, a tame bear being used to train bear hounds developed a taste for chewing tobacco. Not to chew... to eat.

Combine this wide-ranging appetite with the fact that people occasionally do some pretty silly things when near black bears and you have

"Come quick, I'm being eaten by a bear!"

the ingredients for real trouble. For example, a Colorado family built a summer home out in the woods and, when they discovered there were black bears in the vicinity, began putting food out for them. Every summer for four years, a couple or three bears would keep dropping in for a free lunch. The family thought that was kind of neat until one afternoon they looked out and counted 17 guests! At that point a call for help went out to the state wildlife office.

That's an unusual incident. The really big trouble occurs in the national and state parks where it is not unusual for tourists and campers to find the bears cute and beguil-

ing. Harebrained people, ignoring the warning signs which are prominently posted, feed the animals everything from marshmallows on sticks to leftover chicken. One tourist actually attempted to get a bear to hold a lighted cigar in its mouth so he could shoot a picture for the guys back home. A Yellowstone ranger told of seeing a man luring a black bear into his car so he could get a cute shot of blackie behind the wheel; another put one of his kids on the back of a bear. In a near disaster, a youngster in Yellowstone National Park poured a can of soda on the ground and then, as the bear lapped it up, reached over and pulled one of the black's ears. The bear took an angry swipe at the startled child who must have thought bears were like puppies. Luckily blackie missed and the kid skedaddled.

All of this type of familiarity with a potentially deadly wild animal leads to trouble as in the case where a Yosemite black, with more than the usual amount of chutzpah, ambled into a well-populated campground, strolled up to a grill and swiped a cooking steak. Had anyone protested, he would have found himself in real danger. The National Wildlife Federation calls this the "mugger bear syndrome." In places like Yosemite and Yellowstone—and other national parks—mugger bears cause thousands of dollars worth of damage each year, mostly to parked vehicles. In all but a few instances, food was left in the cars or RVs by campers. The bears, scenting the groceries, smashed windows and ripped out interiors trying to get them.

Blacks are intelligent as well as hungry. A bear learns quickly that if he stands on his hind legs beside the road and pats his stomach, someone will stop and feed him. It's as if he were consciously trying to live up to his reputation as the "Happy Hooligan of the woods" (an allusion to a popular comic strip of a generation ago). Pretty soon a crowd forms—a "bear jam," as it's called by rangers. All of a sudden a ranger rolls up. The bear recognizes his uniform and heads for high green. Or the bear hears the click of the car's public address system turning on, and off it scoots. That's how smart

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Till Death Do Us Part



A sensitive look at life's most heart-rending finality

By Vernon Pizer

The last of the mourners had left and yet he lingered, numbed with overwhelming sorrow, bewildered by the awful finality of the moment, unwilling to turn away from the newly dug grave. Later, recalling that moment, he said, "I could not accept the fact that it was my wife who had been lowered into the earth. Why her? How could I come to terms with that? After the years with her to share the good times and to ease the bad, how could I face a future that did not include her? Her life had ended and mine had shattered and I did not know how to pick up the pieces."

The sad truth is that most of us will one day have to ask ourselves those same doleful questions. Finding the answers—the right answers—is vital. In a unique way they will constitute the final expression of compassion and love between the one who has died and the one who must go on living.

Though we try to close our minds to it, we recognize and reluctantly accept that death is the inevitable, natural progression from birth, but our awareness is always in the context of an older generation—grandparents, parents, uncles, aunts. We are unprepared for the death of a contemporary, especially a wife or husband, the sole person to whom we are related not by biological caprice but by conscious choice, the person whom we have vowed to cleave to, forsaking all others. So the

trauma of "marital survivorship" is devastating. How can we deal with it? How can we overcome it? How can we fashion a new life for ourselves?

A popular TV commercial depicts a busy throng freezing into rigidly immobile eavesdroppers when one says to another, "My broker is E. F. Hutton and Hutton says . . ." That script, with only minor alteration, could apply to Dr. Donald R. Bardill, dean of Florida State University's school of Social Work. Sociologist, clinical psychologist and marital counselor, when Bardill speaks his professional peers listen attentively. This is what he has to say about marital bereavement: "It isn't a fun subject and because it isn't, for too long there has been a tendency to shy away from it. But looking the other way doesn't make it disappear; it only makes matters worse. Fortunately, the situation is changing today. The complex question of marital survivorship is coming out of the closet and is being discussed openly. Professionals in a number of different disciplines are studying the subject and all of its implications. Their findings are helping the survivors to cope with the tragedy and then move ahead on the pathway toward resumption of a normal life."

From the moment his wife died, friends and family of the bereaved husband rallied around him in a conspiracy of kindness designed to cushion the blow. Making sure that he was not left alone with the misery wracking him, they tried to divert his attention toward "safe" areas, to steer conversations into directions leading away from the death, arranged activities intended as distractions, threw up a screen around tangible reminders of his dead mate. In all of this, according to the experts, they were doing precisely the wrong thing.

"Grief is a crucial part of the recovery process," says Dr. Benjamin Fabrikant, professor of psychology at New Jersey's Fairleigh Dickinson University. "The survivor must be allowed to grieve, to express and experience the deep emotion within. Men, particularly, often find it difficult to express their overwhelming

sorrow openly, somehow feeling it is unmanly to shed tears, yet those tears need to be shed."

Rabbi Jacob Goldberg, director of the inter-faith Commission on Pastoral Bereavement Counseling, puts it this way: "'Good grief!' is more than an exclamation; it is a necessity. The mourner needs to mourn, needs to articulate his emotions, thoughts, worries and fantasies. It's necessary therapy for him or for her."

To bottle up grief in some inner recess is to court disaster. "That way," says Dr. Bardill, "it becomes an internal time bomb ticking away while you exist in a kind of emotional limbo. Eventually, sometimes years later, the bomb goes off with devastating effect. Grief is normal, natural, cleansing, and its prompt expression must not be denied."

There is agreement among the experts that coping begins with understanding the nature of the grief that a marital survivor experiences. Explains Bardill, "It is a special kind of wrenching sorrow that creates its own peculiar effects. One effect is what I call 'spouse imagery,' a sensation that the dead partner is present—sitting in the accustomed place at the dining table, nestling close in bed, doing familiar chores around

"Men, particularly, often find it difficult to express their overwhelming sorrow openly . . ."

the house. Patients of mine who undergo spouse imagery often tell me that they fear they are cracking up mentally, but those fears are groundless. It is a common reaction that usually disappears promptly."

A young woman, recently widowed, describes her encounter with spouse imagery: "For the first few weeks after his death I had the strange feeling that he was still with me, not visible but somehow there within reach. At night, especially, I felt his presence there in the bedroom. One night I awoke because I thought I felt a warm hand touching

my shoulder. Gradually, the sensation of his presence grew dimmer and then disappeared entirely."

Another frequent reaction is a feeling of guilt—guilt over things unsaid or undone while the partner was still alive, over promises unkept, over hopes and plans unrealized. Guilt over past unkindnesses or acts of inconsideration, fancied or real. Even guilt, sometimes, over the very fact of survival. If the death was preceded by illness there are often guilty self-doubts over whether great enough or prompt enough efforts were made to obtain the very best medical care. Grief-stricken and confused, the mourner finds it difficult initially to place these self-recriminations into proper perspective within a framework of objectivity and logic. In some instances, of course, there may be a measure of justification for a stirring of guilt but, reports Dr. Fabrikant, "most often it is unreal and unjustified by the facts and the survivor needs to realize that."

Even certainty that the finest care has been obtained for a terminally ill husband or wife does not always bar a feeling of guilt. This is because of what the experts term "survivor withdrawal"—recognition that death is approaching and preparation for it by beginning to detach oneself mentally from the failing partner. Even though psychologists point out that withdrawal is a perfectly normal reaction it does not prevent pangs of conscience. There is, however, a beneficial aspect of withdrawal, as Dr. Judith Newman of Pennsylvania State University makes clear. It is this: during the illness the surviving mate is able to begin grieving in an anticipatory way so that after the death the sorrow is less intense and less prolonged.

No marriage is ever completely free of an occasional dispute between husband and wife. But when one leaves—whether for work, an errand or an extended trip—following an unresolved argument and while absent suffers a sudden death, the guilt engendered by knowledge that the last words uttered were in anger is wrenching for the one who

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By Gary Turbak



On the morning of November 12, 1942 the light cruiser USS *Juneau* stood guard off Lunga Point at Guadalcanal.

Under the protective eye of the *Juneau* and the other members of the task group, American transport ships hurriedly unloaded their precious war supplies.

But the *Juneau* also carried a unique cargo. Aboard the newly christened cruiser were the Sullivan brothers of Waterloo, IA. All five of them!

At their own insistence—and contrary to accepted Navy policy—George, Frank, Joseph, Matt and Albert Sullivan all served on the same ship. George, 29, and Frank, 26, were the oldest and had each completed a previous Navy enlistment. George served as a gunner's mate and Frank as a coxswain. Joseph, 23,

Matt, 22, and Albert, 20, were all seamen second class.

When Japanese Bettys and Zeros attacked the unloading operation about 2 p.m., the *Juneau* remained unscathed while knocking six enemy planes into the sea. This was only the second major action the Sullivans had seen, but it would not be their last.

Later in the day, frenzied messages told of a powerful Japanese naval squadron approaching, and the American ships cleared Guadalcanal. Once the transports were headed safely toward Espiritu Santo, the American fighting force—eight destroyers and five cruisers—swung about and steamed along the north shore of Guadalcanal. Aboard the *Juneau*, the five Sullivan brothers prepared to enter battle together.

It was what they wanted. "We've always fought for each other, and now we want to continue fighting side by side," George had told their Navy recruiter in December 1941. "If we go down, we'll all go together."

The death of a good friend at Japanese hands prompted that pledge. In December 1941, George and Frank had just ended Navy tours and all five brothers were employed by the Rath Packing Company in Waterloo. The Sullivan boys worked hard and played hard. In the

summer and fall they fished and hunted, and in the evenings they took to the dance floors of Waterloo. Only Albert was married. Like most Americans, they watched the growing world tension with concern and worried about America being drawn into the war.

On December 7, the boys—along with their parents and sister—huddled around the radio at 98 Adams Street in Waterloo, listening somberly to the reports coming out of Pearl Harbor. In a few days they learned that friend Bill Ball of Fredericksburg, IA, had died in the attack.

The young Sullivans discussed the matter and came to their parents with a decision: "Well, I guess our minds are made up," George said. "We're going in. Frank and I will look out for the others. Don't worry."

On January 3, 1942, they enlisted, making it a condition that they be assigned together. The Navy Department had originally balked at that stipulation but relented under the insistent demands of the brothers.

On February 15, after brief training at the Great Lakes Naval Training Center, the Sullivans drew assignment to the new light cruiser *Juneau*. Never before had five brothers served on the same warship.

Their relatively peaceful Atlantic



Above, the destroyer USS The Sullivans is shown underway off Newport, RI in 1962. The ship, since decommissioned, is now on display at the Buffalo, NY Naval & Servicemen's Park. At right, the five Sullivan brothers—Joseph, Francis, Albert, Madison and George—are shown at the commissioning ceremonies of USS *Juneau* (far right), the ship that carried them to their graves eight months later.



duty ended in August when the *Juneau* headed for the Pacific to help bolster a faltering campaign.

The Sullivans knew they would see action. "Don't worry about us," wrote Joseph in a letter home. "We'll be all right. We're looking after each other. Our mail took quite a while to catch up with us, but when it did—oh boy—what a treat! Fifty-three letters came at once. But we haven't had time to read them all. We're going out looking for jaybirds." Always their letters ended: "Keep your chin up and don't worry."

On November 1, 1942, Thomas and Alleta Sullivan mailed Christmas presents to their five sons. Seven days later the *Juneau* left New Caledonia for Guadalcanal.

As night fell on November 12, the American force cruised along Guadalcanal, preparing to pass between it and nearby Florida Island. No Japanese craft had been detected, but the crews of the American ships remained on the alert.

Out of the north came the Japanese with 11 destroyers, two battleships and a cruiser. In the darkness the two squadrons moved directly toward each other, neither aware that the other was so near. At 1:30 a.m., November 13, the *Juneau's* sister ship *Atlanta* picked up blips on her radar. A few minutes later the lead American destroyer swerved hard to avoid colliding with the Japanese destroyer *Yudachi* . . . and the battle was on.

The melee that followed has been linked to "a barroom brawl with the lights out." Historian Jack Coggins described it this way: "It was perhaps the most vicious night action in history. Armored ships engaged at point-blank range, destroyers raked battleships with automatic weapons, and torpedoes streaked toward targets so close that the warheads had no time to arm."

Searchlights panned across the water to illuminate targets. In the confusion, each side fired at least

once on its own ships. Torpedoes bounced harmlessly off hulls. Once, the American destroyer *O'Bannon* found itself so close to the Japanese battleship *Hiei* that main battery guns could not be aimed low enough to connect. Like the others, the *Juneau* slugged it out with the Japanese at close range.

In less than an hour the battle was over. Five American and three Japanese ships lay on the ocean floor. Others limped away or drifted aimlessly. But the *Juneau* and the Sullivan brothers survived to greet the dawn. *Juneau* had taken a torpedo hit on the port side and listed severely. The cruiser was down 12 feet at the bow but could still move at 13 knots. Along with the other crew members, the Sullivans helped guide their damaged ship away from the Japanese.

By 10 a.m. on Friday, November 13, the *Juneau* and five other American ships had withdrawn from the

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The Sullivan Sacrifice

The story of five brothers who inspired America during time of war



By Philip C. Clarke

It was nine minutes before midnight, May 26, 1981, when Marine 1st Lt. Steve E. White made a second attempt to land his EA-6B Prowler jet on the canted deck of the carrier *Nimitz* as it practiced night landings 70 miles off the Florida coast. White's approach was too high.

Missing the arresting wires, the fighter bounced off a helicopter parked at one side, struck the nose of an A-7 and smashed into a row of F-14s stationed on the port bow. The explosion and fire that followed took the lives of the pilot, his two crewmen and 11 flight deck workers not directly involved in the landing ops. Forty-eight other sailors were injured, several during the hour-long fight to bring the ensuing fire under control. Damage was estimated at more than \$100 million, including total or partial destruction of 20 aircraft.

The incident soon produced an even more sensational story. Routine autopsies revealed evidence of THC, the intoxicant substance in marijuana and hashish, in the bodies of six of the 11 dead deckhands, three of whom were apparently "high" when the accident occurred. Although the pilot's body revealed an excessive level of brompheniramine, an antihistamine prescription drug, there was no proof that its effects had contributed to the crash. Nonetheless, the *Nimitz* tragedy served to focus public attention on the drug and alcohol abuse problem throughout the military.

In Congress, there were demands for a sweeping investigation of the Defense Department's entire anti-drug and alcohol program. News reports of drug rings operating openly among servicemen, and of drug abuse by personnel assigned to high security nuclear installations reinforced charges by critics that the military wasn't doing enough.

"We must root out this problem which is destroying our military from within," Rep. Joseph P. Addabbo (D-NY), Chairman of the House Defense Appropriations Subcommittee, told a hearing convened 18 days after the *Nimitz* incident. In a letter to Navy Secretary John F. Lehman, Jr., Congressman Addabbo cited a Pentagon report disclosing that 60



percent of all Navy and Marine Corps personnel in grades E-5 and below periodically use illicit drugs, that as a consequence one in four suffers some degree of "work impairment," and that one in 25 actually is dependent on drugs. "Additionally," he said, "one in eight is reported to be dependent on alcohol." (Drug abuse in the Army is slightly less prevalent—as it is in other services—while the Air Force reports in with comparatively good marks.) "What's

**"From now on . . .
the emphasis will be on
punishment and discharge."**

clear," said the Congressman, "is that, taken as a whole, drug abuse and alcohol abuse not only impair lives of the users, but adversely affect military readiness."

Defense Department troubleshooters concede they have a giant-sized problem. That fact was recognized as early as 1975, when Dr. David Marlow, director of a Walter Reed Army

Institute Research study, warned that the prevalence of drug abuse posed "a chronic threat that a potential enemy could exploit . . ." But Pentagon officials today vigorously deny they are dragging their feet in trying to solve the problem. They point to tough new crackdowns against drug abuse, especially by the Navy; to the addition of more drug detection teams using trained dogs to sniff out hidden narcotics; and to the introduction of more effective portable urinalysis kits designed to identify drug users and the volume of their consumption, including that of marijuana. Soon to appear on the anti-drug front: a highly sophisticated seriology device capable of determining alcoholism, even among individuals unaware of their own affliction.

At the same time, Pentagon officials insist that the military's drug and alcohol situation is a mirror image of American society at large. As Secretary Lehman said in his reply to Addabbo: "We receive in our services the products of the schools and lifestyles of our nation. The incidences of drug and alcohol abuse in society are too high and they are too high in the Navy and Marine Corps as well . . . It is a most difficult prob-

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lem, but one that we are working hard to diminish."

Given the nature of the all-volunteer forces, the Navy Secretary would seem to have a valid argument. The National Institute on Drug Abuse estimates that two-thirds of Americans aged 18 to 25 have used marijuana at least once and that more than one-third now use it regularly. Nonetheless, the services are under pressure to screen out and deny enlistments to would-be recruits with a history of illegal substance abuse. But without a draft, the military is hard pressed to meet even the barest minimum of manpower needs. "We're caught in a dilemma," explained one Pentagon official. "We cannot ignore two out of three potential recruits and still defend the United States!"

Gen. William C. Louisell, until recently the Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Drug and Alcohol Abuse, underscored the seriousness of the problem in an exclusive interview with *The American Legion Magazine*. "It's serious," he said, "because we've got people who are under the influence of either alcohol or drugs while on duty. It's serious because it takes the services of nearly 4,000 full-time employees and 12,000 part-time personnel and \$101 million

a year in taxpayer's money to fight the problem. It's serious because it has an impact on combat readiness."

The Defense Department's last service-wide survey, taken in 1980 and involving the questioning of 19,000 enlisted personnel, bears out the dimensions of the problem:

- Among the ranks of E-1 through E-5, fully 50 percent had used some form of drugs during the preceding year. Broken down by services, the percentages were: Marine Corps, 61 percent; Navy, 59 percent; Army, 53 percent; Air Force, 33 percent.

- At least 130,000 members of the armed forces were dependent on drugs or alcohol, meaning they were either hooked on narcotics or alcohol, or both.

- At least 120,000 soldiers, sailors, Marines and airmen were "high" or drunk more than 40 times during the year while on duty on the firing ranges, in the maneuver areas, on the decks, in the maintenance shops or wherever assigned.

The survey also determined that alcohol abuse remains the most serious threat, followed by marijuana; service members aged 18 to 25 in grades E-1 through E-5 are the predominant offenders, and the most common practice is "poly-drug consumption," meaning young heavy drinkers also are heavy drug users in many cases.

According to General Louisell, "Many who abuse substances in the armed forces are 'chemical gourmets.' Almost half report they mix alcohol

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A drug-detecting dog and its Navy handler leave the dock landing ship USS Monticello after a search for marijuana.

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and cannabis, and 16 percent reported mixing cocaine with alcohol. The effects of such witches' brews are unpredictable and dangerous."

In recent years, Congress has conducted its own surveys of drug and alcohol abuse in the military. Most of these surveys have produced results even more alarming than the military's findings. Despite complaints by some critics that the Congressional studies are carelessly conducted, no one has challenged their conclusions.

An example is last summer's survey by a task force from the House Select Committee on Narcotics Abuse and Control. It was based on a poll of 1,906 U.S. enlisted personnel at 22 military installations in West Germany and Italy, and aboard the carrier *Forrestal* in the Mediterranean. Most of the interviewees were in the 18- to 25-year-old range and each was assured total confidentiality. The major conclusions of the study:

- Drug use while on duty during the preceding month involved 49.27 percent of the Navy enlisted personnel questioned, 42.66 percent of the Army, 34.68 of the Marines, and 17 percent of the Air Force personnel.

- On-duty use of alcohol for the services was: Army, 28 percent; Navy, 20.95 percent; Marines, 19.4 percent; and Air Force, 15.7 percent.

- Slightly over 60 percent of Navy enlisted personnel aboard the *Forrestal* admitted using drugs, mainly cannabis and "uppers" (amphetamines, methamphetamines and other stimulants) while on duty at least once during the previous month.

Other conclusions of the survey:

"Among Navy E-1 to E-4 personnel, almost one-fourth are daily, chronic cannabis abusers;

"Abuse of 'uppers' by Navy E-1 to E-4 personnel is at a dangerously high level with 31.88 percent admitting monthly or more frequent use."

Compared to a similar poll of U.S. service members in Europe in 1978, last year's House Committee survey showed little change in chronic, daily use of marijuana by Army personnel.

Monthly or more frequent use of "uppers" within the Army also was virtually unchanged at 13 percent last year against 12.7 percent in 1978. And the fact-finders reported the use of hard drugs such as heroin and cocaine among Army troops in Europe has decreased in the past three years, but is still at "unacceptably high levels." Over that period, monthly or more frequent use of heroin decreased from 10 percent to 4 percent, and for cocaine, from 9.4 percent to 6.2 percent. This reflected what the report called the "positive impact" of

"... drug abuse and alcohol abuse ... adversely affect military readiness."

Army interdiction and suppression of hard drug activities in West Germany. By contrast, however, based on surveys by the National Institute of Drug Abuse (NIDA), non-military heroin users in the 18-to-25-year-old category in the United States are estimated at less than 1/2 percent.

The most controversial conclusion in the Congressional study concerned the questioning of European-based personnel on how they rate the services' drug and alcohol abuse treatment programs. Seventy-eight percent of Army respondents rated their treatment programs "fair to poor." Similar negative remarks went to the Navy, 73 percent; the Air Force, 65 percent; and the Marines, 63 percent.

Pentagon officials have challenged these findings, contending that they give undue emphasis to chronic GI complaints while ignoring positive effects of the military's expanding anti-drug and alcohol campaign.

Testifying before a House Select Committee hearing last September, Maj. Gen. Mary E. Clarke, the Army's Director of Human Resources Development, produced statistics showing that despite a 50 percent in-

crease in caseload admissions for alcohol and drug treatment, over the past three years some 65 to 70 percent of those treated have been successfully rehabilitated and returned to duty. Overall, the Defense Department treated 112,000 service personnel last year at a cost of \$61 million, including operation of the Navy's world famous treatment center in Miramar, CA. "The progress we are making in combating our problem," said General Clarke, "is reflected in this data . . . and by the fact that we have been able to contain the heroin abuse problem in Europe despite continually rising availability of that drug."

Army "suppression teams"—there are now 75 of them staffed with more than 300 MPs and CID agents—were credited with arresting 6,607 drug offenders and with seizing more than \$137 million worth of illicit drugs in a single 12-month period. And to aid in the war against alcohol abuse, the Army plans to open five new treatment centers by 1985, bringing the total number to over 60.

At the same time, said General Clarke, the Army is developing new techniques to better identify would-be recruits who are drug or alcohol dependent. A recent Army survey indicated that 40 percent of first-term soldiers used marijuana or hashish *before* they entered the service. Although most chronic drug and alcohol abusers can be identified during the induction process, it's often impossible to tag young people with previous experience in heavy usage, who might be potential problems for the military.

The military's screening process could be vastly improved with development of a new blood testing technique for both alcoholism and drug addiction. Also new on the scene is a urine test for marijuana. Until now, detection by urinalysis has been limited to six illicit drugs—opiates, amphetamines, barbiturates, cocaine, methaqualone and PCP. Using new portable analysis kits, all services are now conducting drug sampling operations at least once a month. The kits are now standard equipment aboard every major vessel in the Navy. The program has been taking more than half a million random samples a year, employing eight drug-testing labs around the world.

On the legal front, recent decisions by the Court of Military Appeals appear to have cleared the way for the Defense Department to use urine testing results for disciplinary action, including General Discharge for drug abusers refusing to cooperate or those who fail rehabilitation.

Besides operating its own anti-smuggling and customs program, utilizing scores of trained drug-sniffer dogs, the military has provided extensive support to the Drug Enforcement Agency and other federal agencies in their battle against narcotics smugglers. For example, customs agents regularly ride on training flights of AWACS planes. Other federal drug-control agents operate out of the U.S. Naval Base at Guantanamo Bay and from a number of U.S. Air Force bases. Moves are now under way to amend the "posse comitatus" act to allow the armed services to assist civilian authorities in special cases, such as the current

war on drugs.

Priority, however, must go to the military's own alcohol and drug abuse problem. In a recent Congressional survey, representative numbers of service personnel were asked: Given the amount of drugs that men/women in your unit use, do you think they could go into combat and perform to the best of their abilities?

Most of the E-1 through E-4s said "Yes," but most of the E-5s and above thought otherwise. Sixty percent of the higher ranking Marines said "No," as did 53 percent of the Army personnel and 52 percent of the Navy members. Only Air Force personnel, by a ratio of 73 to 27 percent, believed their units would do well despite the military's overall drug problem.

In April 1980, the Pentagon ran a simulated "short war" scenario through its computers. This abstract analysis, which assumed varying levels of drug abuse for personnel

under age 25, indicated "no serious degradation of combat capabilities except for the fire-direction elements of artillery units." What the computer analysis could not measure, however, was the human and sociological effects of drug use on individuals in combat.

While acknowledging the link between "substance abuse" and combat effectiveness, the Pentagon would like Congress and the public to understand some of the special internal difficulties it faces in trying to handle the problem.

The Pentagon recently did an internal analysis to determine why so many soldiers, sailors, airmen and Marines use drugs and alcohol. The major reasons were predictable: the desire to unwind and relax, to be friendly and social, to overcome boredom, loneliness and depressing living quarters, and because of peer pressure and a lack of suitable recreation. (Continued on page 48)



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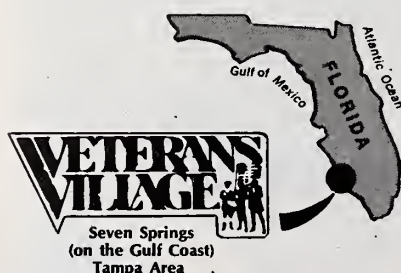
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Do-It-Yourself Family Money Kit, by Philip Rahney, KIMBERLY, JONES PUB., \$9.95 (paper). **The Essentials of Estate Planning**, by Victor P. Whitney, Van Nostrand Reinhold Pub., \$7.95 (paper). Money—how to get it and keep it—is the big topic for many of us in these hard-pressed times. The "Family Money Kit" presents a four-step method for home financial security, explains how certain investments and money "hedges" can work and includes worksheets and graphs to help you set and work toward financial goals. "Estate Planning" focuses on methods that will keep your hard-earned bucks out of the hands of the IRS and "money-grubbing lawyers" and in the hands of your heirs after your death.

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The Bad News Bear

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mugger bears get, and, usually, the
tourists-spectators-feeders don't have
any idea how close they may have
been to a mauling.

Biologists are unanimous in blam-
ing people for changing the behavior
of bears. Nearly all attacks are car-
ried out by "campground" bears that
have tasted food or garbage either
offered or left by campers. The bears
change from normal daylight for-
agers to nocturnal thieves prowling
darkened camps, ripping open ice
chests, biting through cans and ter-
rifying unsuspecting families. There
was even an incident where a sleep-
ing camper was badly hurt in his
camping bag by a bear which obvi-
ously mistook the sleeper for a gar-
bage bag.

Yet, people visiting parks want
to see bears and the rangers wish
to oblige. At the same time, rangers
have to do whatever is necessary to
prevent injuries and property dam-
age. So, if a mugger bear becomes
too much of a nuisance—and, hence,
a threat—he has to be relocated.
And that creates an entirely new
problem. Black bears seem to have
a hard time understanding that when
they're moved, it was intended that
they stay moved.

In Yellowstone, one was caught in
the early morning and hauled 35
miles out into the back country.
When the rangers made their rounds
that evening, there was the same
bear with his nose buried deep in a
garbage can.

The record appears to be held by
a Michigan bear. She was playing
hob with a farmer's orchard, so a
conservation officer trapped her, put
her to sleep and moved her 142
miles away. Eleven months later she
was trapped again by the same con-
servation officer just a half mile
from the orchard where he'd caught
her the first time.

Distance is not the only thing
used in efforts to keep mugger bears
away from park visitors—something
called "aversive conditioning" is al-
so tried. Garbage dumps are treated
with creosote, electric prods and
mace are tried, and, occasionally, a
ranger goes after an offending bruin
with a shotgun loaded with rock salt.
Sometimes, though, nothing works—
a mugger simply won't stay away
from the people he's prone to mug,
or he appears to have become incor-

rigible from too frequent interaction
with humans. In such cases, the bear
has to be killed. It doesn't matter
how cute or clever it is—one day a
playful swipe of his paw could turn
"cute" into "murder." Often a bear
comes to that end because, according
to Carole Jorgensen, a forestry spe-
cialist at the University of Montana:
"Many visitors to the parks don't
realize that if you feed a bear, you
are essentially signing its death
warrant."

So the moral is clear: in national
and state parks having bear popula-
tions, look but don't feed, tease or
play with the bears. Drive past them
with your car windows shut. No mat-
ter where bears might be encoun-
tered, keep your camp free of gar-
bage and clutter. Hang food out of

**"Only one of a hundred
is looking for trouble,
but they don't come in
numerical order."**

reach. If you think a bear visitation
is possible, string a row of empty
cans between trees so a nocturnal
visitor will signal its presence in
plenty of time for you to get clear.

If you're backpacking through bear
country, make noises as you go to
alert any bears to your presence.
Wilderness bears, under normal cir-
cumstances, are standoffish. They'll
go the other way if they hear you
coming. One Yellowstone ranger said
he and his buddies wear bells when
they are in bear country: "If we all
meet at the same camp, it sounds
like the arrival of Santa Claus and
his eight reindeer."

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serves, he can live as he was intended
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This trend results from our inability to communicate with foreigners, according to Rep. Henry B. Gonzalez (D-TX). Despite the growing need for adequate foreign communications skills in our country, the Congressman states fewer than one percent of U.S. college students study languages spoken by three-fourths of the world's population.

He has introduced legislation to establish a National Commission for Utilization and Expansion of Languages Resources, an organization aimed at improving language skills of U.S. citizens. In doing so, he feels vast improvements will be made in our trade and in our country's national security.

Replacing Criminal "Warehouses"

In a switch from the traditional jail with steel bars, Chief Justice of the United States Warren Burger is proposing "factories with fences" where inmates work, receive wages and pay room and board.

During the past 10 years prison population has increased from 200,000 to approximately 350,000. Direct and indirect losses from crime are estimated in the billions of dollars annually. According to the Chief Justice, these data indicate our current correctional institutions are failing to curb crime or rehabilitate criminals, and that the multi-billion-dollar prison construction program scheduled to begin this year will be ineffective if used to build more criminal "warehouses."

The Chief Justice's concept is not entirely new. Prisons in Minnesota and Kansas have been involved in programs in which inmates build machinery parts for private companies.

If allowed to make products, inmates will be able to contribute to their upkeep while learning a useful skill enabling them to secure full-time employment once released, Chief Justice Burger said.

Pill-Pushers Prey on Drug Stores

The increased efforts of drug enforcement officials to combat street sale of narcotics, which runs to \$64 billion yearly, has created another problem—an outburst of drug-related robberies in local pharmacies. The success of the "narc" squads has pushers preying on retail drug stores as a source for their illicit products.

Under existing laws, federal agents are prohibited from pursuing criminal activities in this area. In a move to overcome this loophole, Sen. Howell Heflin (D-AL), along with several colleagues, is proposing legislation which will make the robbery of any controlled substance exceeding \$100 in value, or an individual felony which is part of a series of pharmacy robberies, a federal crime. The bill also provides stricter penalties for those caught and convicted. Violators will be subject to a 10-year prison term, a fine of up to \$5,000, or both.

PEOPLE & QUOTES

On Target—"Let's remember the ideology of this President is what got him elected, so taking action that's consistent with that ideology is quite often the political course to follow . . ." James A. Baker, President's Chief of Staff.

A Technological Trap?—"In America and other advanced cultures, belief in technology has become a religious faith. We have come to think of ourselves as so technologically clever that we will always be flexible enough to get through any crisis. But in many ways we have become so dependent on technology that we have lost our adaptability . . . We have become its servants rather than its masters." Mary Eleanor Clark, biologist, San Diego State Univ.

"Too Thin" In Pacific—"We have insufficient forces in the Pacific to handle all of the contingencies simultaneously. Our forces are spread too thin . . ." Adm. Robert L. J. Long, Cdr.-in-Chief, U.S. Forces, Pacific.

Cool Air Trouble—"The worst thing that ever happened to Congress was the invention of air conditioning. In the old days, it got hot, muggy and sticky about June, and they went home until January and didn't cause any mischief." Rep. Clair W. Burgener (R-CA).

One Term Too Long—"There's no greater tragedy for a person of ability, character and prestige than to try to stay that one extra term. You forget that you don't have a lock on anything forever." Abraham Ribicoff, former U.S. Sen. from CT.

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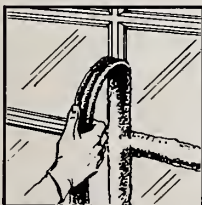
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VA CONSTRUCTION EVALUATION PLAN PROMPTS LEGION QUESTIONS . . .

VA Chief Robert Nimmo's announced plan to conduct a major reexamination of the VA's medical facility construction program has been questioned by Legion leaders . . . "(This plan) is an ominous sign that renovation and replacement of aging facilities may never take place," said Natl. Cdr. Flynt in a statement released in response to the plan. "This entire construction program has been studied, re-studied, refined and closely monitored by Congress over the years." Nimmo has directed that all construction projects planned for FY1984 and beyond be revalidated by new criteria prior to being restored to the construction schedule. Projects also funded on a multi-year basis will be reassessed as well. "We cannot understand why hospitals built prior to WWII and now hardly capable of accommodating modern medical practices need further evaluation," Flynt said. "Nor do we know why the 12.5 million WWII veterans whose average age is 62 have been ignored in this action. They need extended care facilities which must be started immediately. This does not require revalidation. We are also concerned about the future capability of the VA medical system to provide the emergency backup for active military hospitals which cannot now handle an outbreak of overseas hostilities." Flynt also said that the Legion will monitor the plan closely and that, "should it turn out to be a threat to the veterans medical care system, The American Legion will oppose it through every possible means."

VA BUDGET FOR FY83 IS \$25.6 BILLION . . .

The VA budget for fiscal year 1983 seeks \$25.6 billion to fund medical care, compensation and pension payments and other benefit programs for veterans and their families . . . The budget is an \$867 million increase over the FY82 VA budget, but does not provide for the 4.8 percent employee pay increase in 1982. The pay increase will be addressed on a government-wide basis by the Administration at a later date . . . The budget includes proposals to provide an 8.1 percent cost of living increase for compensation recipients and several adjustments in benefits . . . It also provides for increases in medical care employment that the VA says will produce the highest staff-to-patient ratio in the agency's history and will provide medical care funds for a record 1,365,078 inpatients and for 18,110,000 outpatient medical visits. In other areas, the budget provides for funds for the indexed

VA pension program to compensate for inflation . . . The VA estimates 2.3 million veterans with service connected injuries or illnesses, and 354,000 survivors of veterans who died in service will receive \$10.1 billion in compensation payments during the year. They expect to save \$208 million by limiting payments for dependents of veterans who are rated more than 50 percent disabled . . . \$3.9 billion in pension payments will be made to 820,000 wartime vets and 943,000 survivors of wartime vets . . . The budget seeks \$7.72 billion for the medical department, up \$542 million from the current fiscal year . . . Four nursing home units are scheduled for activation during FY83 and one new outpatient clinic and the expansion of five others is slated . . . VA has requested \$611.5 million in construction funds, up \$137.2 million over the current budget. Emphasis will be on six major modernization and replacement projects, eight projects to correct fire and safety code deficiencies, four additional nursing home units and construction of a 380-bed hospital and clinical services building in Albuquerque, NM . . . The VA also plans to open new national cemeteries at Indian-town Gap, PA and Quantico, VA, and will seek funds for further development at the Ft. Snelling National Cemetery in Minnesota . . . VA employment will increase 955 during the fiscal year to 218,420 . . . For the Legion's analysis of the VA's fiscal year 1983 budget, see the Commander's Message elsewhere in this issue.

VA COMPUTER OPERATIONS TO IMPROVE . . .

VA Administrator Robert P. Nimmo has issued an executive order directing changes in the VA's use of computers and automated data processing (ADP) technology . . . Changes include decentralization of computer and ADP equipment to the local hospital system and installation of local mini-computers and appropriate subsystems . . . Nimmo said, "This new thrust of decentralization will provide much better service in VA medical centers by improving administration and patient scheduling. In addition, it should speed things up in pharmacy and laboratory processes." In the past, criticism of VA computer programs and their cost had been leveled by Congressional oversight committees such as the General Accounting Office, General Services Administration and Office of Management and Budget . . . "Because of this past history of problems and fragmentation, I knew that addressing this issue of computers was one of our highest management priorities," Nimmo said.

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22d Washington Conference

Even though temperatures in the Nation's Capital soared to the low 60s and just a hint of spring fever was making the rounds, Legionnaires attending the 22d Washington Conference, February 14-17, gathered in the Capital Hilton Hotel to discuss the problems and challenges facing America's veterans in the 1980s. While they listened to experts in the fields of national security, foreign policy and veterans affairs, National Commander Jack W. Flynt met with President Ronald Reagan on other matters of Legion concern.

"Legionnaires and Auxiliary members have always been among the first to volunteer for the good of the nation," Cdr. Flynt told the President. "[However] if we are to succeed in increasing the impact of voluntarism . . . some areas of federal policy will require restructuring and renewed study."

The President and National Commander went on to discuss the impact on nonprofit organizations of taxation of "unrelated business income," ever increasing postal rates and mandatory payment of royalty fees required to play music at local Legion Posts. Reagan seemed receptive to the Commander's recommendations and, after receiving a bound volume of Legion resolutions passed by the Hawaii National Convention, the President agreed to try to attend our 1982 Chicago Convention.

Other highlights of this year's conference included an award to veteran columnist and White House correspondent Sarah McClendon, and



National Commander Jack W. Flynt presents The American Legion's mandates for 1982 to President Reagan at the White House during the Legion's Washington conference. (Official White House photo by Bill Fitz-Patrick)

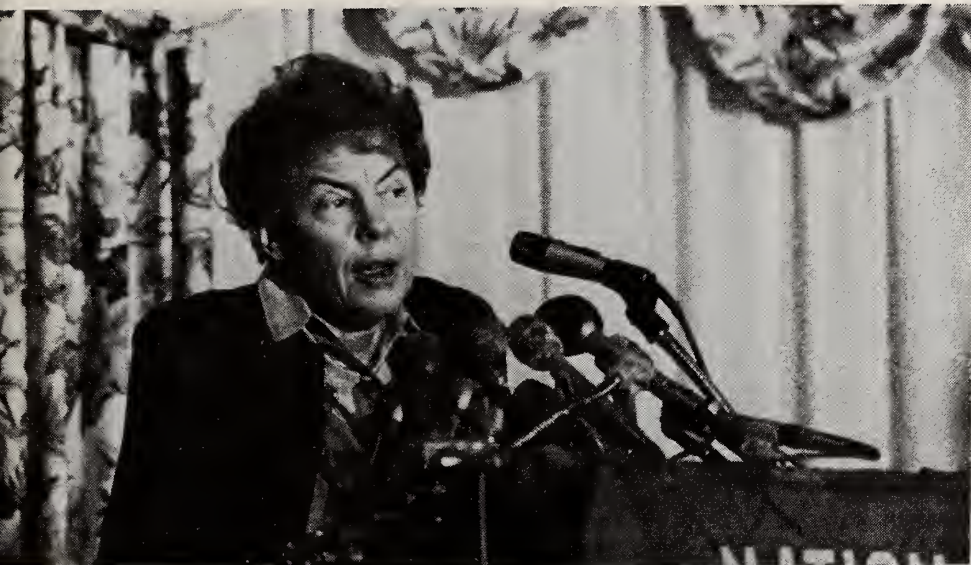
speeches by Ambassador to the United Nations Jeane Kirkpatrick; Admiral Thomas Hayward, Chief of Naval Operations; Robert P. Nimmo, Administrator of Veterans Affairs; and U.S. Representative W. G. Hefner (D-NC).

In addition, the estimated 1,200 Legionnaires heard Jan C. Scruggs, president and founder of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Fund, say: "No organization has done more to build the memorial for Vietnam veterans—or for Vietnam veterans in general—than The American Legion

. . . On November 11, we will all stand together and watch the Legion's flag fly over the completed memorial."

Scruggs was referring to an announcement made by Cdr. Flynt just prior to introducing him. The Commander told Legionnaires attending the Legislative Rally that The American Legion will give the Vietnam Veterans Memorial an American flag in perpetuity and the flag pole from which it will fly.

Legionnaires were also given a rousing send-off for their visits to the offices of their Senators and Repre-



U.S. Ambassador to the United Nations Jeane Kirkpatrick tells Legionnaires that "there is a return of national self-confidence in American foreign policy."

representatives before leaving the Legislative Rally during which each program commission chairman outlined his priority legislative objectives. Following a particularly urgent appeal by Dr. Robert P. Foster, Foreign Relations Commission chairman, to send a message to the Soviet Union through their Congressmen that "enough is enough" of Soviet hegemony, Cdr. Flynt introduced Ambassador James E. Goodby, Vice Chairman, U.S. Delegation to Strategic Arms Reduction Talks.

Echoing the words of Chairman Foster, the Ambassador pointed out that the Soviet Union is "capable now of projecting its power into areas far from its shores." The growth of Soviet power, the disarray of the western alliance, and the emergence of the Third World, along with western dependence on their natural resources, Goodby said, form the changing strategic environment in which American foreign policy for the 1980s must be formed.

Building on that theme, Ambassador Goodby said America is challenged with reinvigorating its foreign policy by building on what Sec'y of State Alexander Haig has called the four pillars of foreign policy: restoration of our economic and military strength; reinvigoration of our alliances and friendships around the world; commitment to the development of the Third World nations,

and the establishment of a relationship with the Soviet Union based on restraint and reciprocity. "We cannot expect [the Soviet Union] not to take advantage of targets of opportunity," Goodby said. "We must therefore have the means to deter them if they are to take us seriously."

The Commander also introduced U.S. Representative William G. Hefner and presented the Legion's National Legislative Award to him "in recognition of his outstanding leadership on behalf of veterans." In accepting the award, Hefner said he was proud to have been a part of the coalition responsible for the maintenance of adequate funding for VA programs in 1981.

"I believe, as you do," Hefner said, "that the funds to maintain our VA hospitals, the funds to keep our commitment to the service connected disabled veterans, and the funds for all veterans benefits and services should stand on their own merit. I also believe," he said, "that the Administration and the Congress should give the membership of The American Legion and the 30 million veterans of this country the opportunity to decide what is just and what is reasonable for the American veteran."

Congressman Hefner also assured Legionnaires that, in his view, the recent proposal to limit medical care for veterans over 65 was "a trial balloon. I believe the President realized

early on that the idea would have no support in Congress, particularly at a time when the Administration is proposing to assume full responsibility for the health care needs of aging nonveterans in this country through Medicaid."

Speaking to the Veterans Affairs and Rehabilitation Commission later in the day, VA chief Robert Nimmo also talked about the funding for veterans programs. He said that the VA was currently reviewing all of its programs to find out exactly where it was heading by the end of the century in terms of costs versus benefits. Pointing out that the current budget is about \$25 billion, Nimmo estimated that the budget by the turn of the century—given continuation of current economic conditions—would approximate \$100 to \$150 billion. This type of eventuality, he said, will require a great deal of advance planning to sell the importance of veteran benefits to the public.

Appearing before a joint session of the National Security/Foreign Relations Commission, United Nations Ambassador Jeane Kirkpatrick pointed out to a wall-to-wall audience of Legionnaires and reporters that last year's speech before the same group had been her first public speaking engagement since being appointed. "This appearance marks the first time I have ever spoken *twice* to the same organization!" Saying that the Legion played a very significant role in American life in that it stood for a free, democratic and strong society, the Ambassador noted that those were essential elements of our national identity.

The heart of the Ambassador's speech, however, centered on foreign policy as she began by saying that the current Administration has established a "return of national self-confidence in American foreign policy." Nevertheless, there were some shocking aspects of the foreign policy experiences of 1981.

Foremost was the Soviet repression of Poland. "What happened in Poland, we have seen before," she said. "We know the hunger for freedom breeds repression in those countries under Communist dominion." Kirkpatrick said unofficial estimates indicate that at least 100,000 Poles are being held prisoner in 49 detention

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centers because of the recent crack-down on Solidarity. Describing the extent of that crackdown, the Ambassador quoted from an eyewitness account published in a French newspaper which told of a Soviet officer ordering his Polish troops to fire on nonviolent strikers. The Poles refused to fire. Then came the tanks. "Workers faced them without fear and the tanks crushed them like puny little insects and the earth was bloody with needless dead."

Kirkpatrick also talked about the accelerated Soviet buildup in the Western Hemisphere to the tune of "\$9 million a day to fund Cuba's military machine and finance conquest in South America."

Then, before fielding questions from the audience, she talked about the boldness with which the Soviets have pushed forward with their expansionist goals during the past year and how such aggression is being treated by the world's media. "We see a revolution of obfuscation. Some people are confused about the true nature of the Soviets."

Appearing before the same joint session was the Chief of Naval Operations, Admiral Thomas Hayward, who told Legionnaires that the Navy was "no longer hemorrhaging talent." Reasons cited for meeting current recruiting and retention goals included support by the American people and their renewed appreciation for men and women in uniform. "We thank the Legion," he said, "for helping to stimulate that fact." Furthermore, the CNO said, "the military is retaining career personnel at the highest rate in history . . . We are not asking to get rich; we are only asking to be able to live respectably."

Admiral Hayward received thunderous applause when he told Legionnaires that there has been some confusion over just what is meant by the "maritime strategy." "It means that this country is going to have a Navy second to none," he said. "We've lost any measure of superiority over the Soviets. Maritime strategy means we're going to regain that measure of superiority over the Russians."

Elaborating on that point, the admiral said: "For 10 years we've allowed the Soviets to out-invest us in military hardware. The Soviets have completely disregarded the spirit of



Rep. Roy Dyson (D-MD) chats with Legionnaire constituents Bill Kesting (left), MD Dept. Vice Cdr. and MD NECman Doug Johnson during the reception for members of Congress.

SALT I. . . . But now we have started to move in the right direction." Getting into specifics, Hayward noted that, despite detractors, the F-18 is "the finest aircraft we have brought along. It's four times as reliable as anything else we have" and the cost overruns attributed to its production have been greatly exaggerated.

Ann Mills Griffiths of the National League of Families of American Prisoners and Missing in Southeast Asia brought some optimistic news to members of the Foreign Relations Commission when she told them: "We are encouraged by the increasing efforts of the United States Government to honorably resolve the POW/MIA issue. The progress the government has made in accepting and acknowledging the importance of this issue is one of our unsung triumphs. Hopefully, with the increasing evidence of live Americans and the outcry of Americans on this issue, due in large measure to the public awareness campaigns of organizations like The American Legion, the government will devote even more resources toward swift resolution of this tragedy."

Griffiths went on to quote from a Defense Intelligence Agency report

which said: "The conviction that the many reports, the known perfidiousness of the Communist governments in Southeast Asia, the logic that implies some of the missing must have survived, *all* suggest that Americans may be alive in Communist controlled Southeast Asia."

Sarah McClendon, in accepting the National Commander's Public Relations Award for 1982, gave more than 1,000 Legionnaires food for thought pleasantly blended with an ample dose of good-natured kidding. "Secretary Caspar Weinberger of the Defense Department had to call in his secretaries of the services recently and rap their knuckles because so many male chauvinists have been trying to downgrade women in the services and push us out," said the World War II veteran. "My friends, you may not have realized it, but this country needs us women."

Later on, McClendon blasted the Reagan Administration for not getting out more information to the press, and called the real heroes of Washington "the reporters who are on the front lines trying to get information." Chiding Vice President Bush, McClendon said that Bush, in speaking to an audience in Lubbock, TX,



Natl. Cdr. Flynt and Public Relations Commission Chairman William Detwiler (LA) present the 1982 Public Relations Award to Sarah McClendon, veteran Washington, DC, correspondent.

said it was so good to get away from Washington, "a city 'where a very funny form of reality is defined by what the *Washington Post* and the *New York Times* say every morning . . . ' George, you ought to be ashamed!"

On a more serious note, McClendon challenged the Legion to become "the information center to build citizenship participation in this country . . . Go back home," she said, "and organize public information, nonpartisan forums to meet regularly in your local high school or convention hall." That way, she said, citizens will know what is going on in this nation. In other developments during the Washington Conference:

- Cdr. Flynt presented the American Legion's Career Education Award to Dr. Kenneth B. Hoyt. Hoyt, division of career education director Department of Education, was honored for "outstanding service in the field of education, specifically the career education movement."

- Addressing the National Association of State Veterans Homes, Cdr. Flynt said, "The American Legion recognizes and appreciates the important role the state veterans homes play, and is concerned about

what effect the attempt to reduce federal spending is having on the VA's ability to deliver benefits and high quality medical care to the veterans of this nation." The Commander also told the association that legislation to extend eligibility for burial allowances and to expand eligibility for admission or transfer to nursing homes has been introduced into Congress as a result of resolutions passed during the Hawaii National Convention. ❊

Founder Freund Dies in New York



Albert Freund

Albert Freund, a past president of the Society of Founders of The American Legion, recently died at his East Northport, NY home. He was 84.

Freund, a WWI veteran of the U.S. Army who attended the Paris Caucus in 1919, was a retired building superintendent for the Northport Board of Education.

During WWI, Freund was aboard the transport ship *Carpathia*, the first ship to arrive at the site of the sinking *Titanic*. During WWII, although rejected by reason of age by all the military services, he served in a civilian capacity with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, helping to construct the military airport in Bermuda.

In the past, Freund had served as both a Post Commander and Service Officer. He was a member of Post 694 in Northport, NY at the time of his death.

VA's Q&A CORNER

These are questions representative of those the Veterans Administration is frequently asked. For more information contact your Post Service Officer, local VA office or write directly to: Veterans Administration (20), Washington, DC 20420.

Q. I've just moved and am wondering if the Post Office will forward my VA compensation check to my new address?

A. Yes. Checks issued under laws administered by the VA may be forwarded if the payee has moved and filed a regular change of address with the U.S. Postal Service. However, there is a time limit that the Postal Service will forward VA payments. You should notify your nearest VA office of your new address as soon as possible. You might also consider contacting your bank to have your VA payments deposited directly to your account.

Q. My husband died while he was a patient in a VA Medical Center. Will the VA help with the expenses of bringing him home for burial?

A. Yes. If a veteran dies while a patient in a VA Medical Center, transportation expenses to the place of burial will be allowed.

Q. My father is a WWI veteran and he recently had a stroke that left him totally helpless and unable to care for himself. Will the VA put him in a nursing home and pay for it?

A. The VA cannot bear the expense of a private home for veterans with nonservice connected disabilities unless the veteran is transferred directly from a VA hospital to the nursing home. When such a transfer is made, the VA authorized care normally may not exceed six months.

Q. My husband is a 100 percent disabled veteran, but his disability is not service connected. Are we entitled to armed forces commissary and exchange privileges?

A. No. Only 100 percent service connected disabled veterans and their survivors are eligible for these privileges.

Q. I am rated 10 percent disabled due to service connected disabilities. Am I eligible for preference in civil service jobs?

A. Yes. Veterans rated as having service connected disabilities receive 10 preference points.

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Legionnaire Collector's Efforts Featured at W. Virginia Museum



Artifacts on display in the Stutler collection include 1865 sheet music, a John Brown print with his signature and a pike blade representative of those supplied by Brown to his supporters during their raid on Harpers Ferry, WV, in 1859.



WWII war correspondent for the Legion Magazine Boyd Stutler is shown preparing a dispatch somewhere in the Pacific theater.

Boyd B. Stutler—aide to four Past National Commanders, managing editor of *The American Legion Magazine* for 18 years and a self-described “souvenir hound” before his death in 1970—has had a major collection of his artifacts placed on display at the West Virginia Independence Hall in Wheeling, WV.

The exhibition, “Portrait of a collector: Boyd B. Stutler,” features highlights from the 80,000-item Stutler collection of artifacts, photographs, books and documents about West Virginia Statehood, John Brown and the Harpers Ferry Raid and related subjects. The exhibition covers three floors of the museum and is being presented by the West Virginia Department of Culture and History.

Stutler was a veteran of WWI. During WWII, he went back to the battlefields as *The American Legion Magazine's* war correspondent in the Pacific theater. During his 14 months overseas, he filed front-line dispatches from China, the Philippines and Korea, and was present on the battleship

Missouri when the Japanese surrendered to American Forces.

Stutler's interests as a collector reflected his work as a writer, editor and researcher. Born at Cox's Mills, West Virginia, he had a lifelong passion for collecting things related to West Virginia history, the Civil War and the life and times of John Brown. His collecting efforts led to books by him on these and other subjects.

Today, his collection is recognized by all John Brown authorities as the most complete assemblage of source and reference material on the subject in existence. In recognition of this and his other collecting efforts, the State of West Virginia purchased his entire collection intact from his heirs in 1977.

'Talking' Magazine Subscriptions Open

American Legion Magazine Commission Chairman Milford A. Forrester has advised Legionnaires that, despite a gratifying response to the “Talking American Legion Magazine” program announced in January, subscriptions are still being accepted. “This will be an ongoing program of the Legion,” Forrester said. “It's never too late to enroll and eventually we would like to have every eligible Legionnaire on our subscriber list.”

In cooperation with the Library of Congress's “Talking Books” program—which provides the necessary phonographic equipment—the Legion Magazine is being recorded on 8½ rpm flexible discs and mailed directly to eligible visually or physically handicapped Legionnaires.

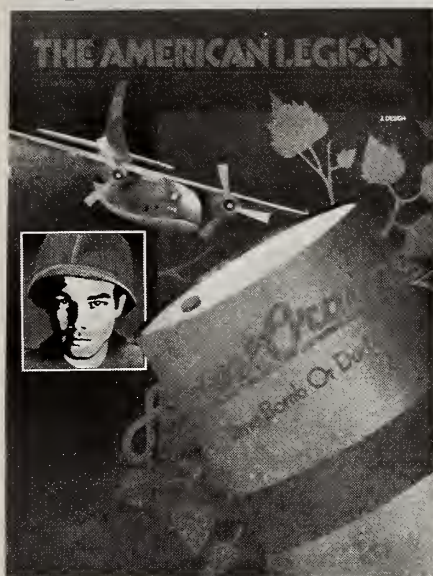
Chairman Forrester reminded Legionnaires that while there is no charge for either the “Talking American Legion Magazine” or the displaying machine, you must still enroll in the program.

Complete details about the “Talking American Legion Magazine” and enrollment application are available by writing: “Talking American Legion Magazine, P.O. Box 1055, Indianapolis, IN 46206.

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January 31, 1982	\$349,362.00
Total Interest Paid Since	
January, 1982	\$ 1,210.78
Basic Units In Force	
(Number)	250,551.0
New Applications Approved	
Since January 1, 1982	120
New Applications Declined	
Since January 1, 1982	105
New Applications Suspended	
Since January 1, 1982	51
(Applicants failed to return health form)	

"Effective January 1, 1982, a 20 percent 'across the board' increase in benefits will be extended through December 31, 1982."

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TAPS

The Taps Notice mentions, whenever possible, those Legionnaires who have held high National or Department Office in the Legion, United States government, or other forms of national prominence.

Samuel T.A. Crawford, VA National Executive Committeeman (1967-69), Alternate National Executive Committeeman (1952-53), Department Commander (1975-76), Department Vice Commander (1949-50, 1976-77).

Lloyd Johnson, MO Department Adjutant (1972-82).

Reginald J. O'Neill, WY Department Commander (1967-68), Department Vice Commander (1966-67).

Henry Robert Woods, PA Department Commander (1969-70), Department Vice Commander (1967-68).

James G. Wheeler, Kentucky, St. Louis Caucus, Founders Society.

Angus T. Marquis, Canada Department Commander (1973-74), Department Vice Commander (1972-73).

Theodore Reginald Johnson, Jr., UT Department Commander (1964-65), Department Vice Commander (1963-64).

Andrew David Eggenberger, MT Department Commander (1966-67), Department Vice Commander (1963-64).

Peter Abel Thaanum, Jr., ME National Executive Committeeman (1952-54), Alternate National Executive Committeeman (1948-50), Department Commander (1946-47), Department Vice Commander (1942-43).

Arnold James Stockstad, National Historian (1977-78), ND Department Commander (1969-70), Department Vice Commander (1964-65).

James Leonard McCrory, National Vice Commander (1940-41)

Henry Ray Sherriit, NM Department Commander (1954-55)

Donald L. Clarke, CA Department Adjutant (1946-50)

H. Armand deMasi, National Historian (1962-64), Italy National Executive Committeeman (1952-62, 1968-73), Alternate National Executive Committeeman (1947-52), Department Adjutant (1946-47)

Willis I. Brunton, IN Department Commander (1946-47), Department Vice Commander (1943-44)

James E. Mulder, WI National Executive Committeeman (1964-66), Department Commander (1963-64), Department Vice Commander (1961-62)

LIFE MEMBERSHIPS

The award of a life membership to a Legionnaire by a Post is a testimonial by those who know best that such a member has served The American Legion well.

Below are listed some of the previously unlisted life membership Post awards that have been reported to the editors.

Delfino Gutierrez, Felipe R. Pillos, Pedro T. Rania, Jack G.F. Yep (1982), Post 16, Stockton, CA

Nemesio R. Paguyo (1981), Post 798, Stockton, CA

Leslie Siddall (1980), Post 27, Litchfield, CT

Josephine A. LoCicero, John O. Olsen (1981), Post 24, Bradenton, FL

Edward W.P. Bond (1981), Post 4, Augusta, GA

Clifton C. Klotz, Jesse H. Leonard, William E. Jackes (1981), Post 225, Holstein, IA

Don L. Gamm (1982), Post 477, Hinton, IA

Samuel Corso, Charles J. Daly, Lavell T. Smith, Verne A. Smith, Richard Squires, Anthony Wroblewski (1981), Post 364, Dearborn, MI

Richard T. Meyers (1981), Post 488, Monroe, NY

Peter Moskwa (1981), Post 651, Sayville, NY

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1st Medical Regt. (Aug-Anoka, MN). Virgil Barrie, 8310 Able St. NE, Spring Lake Park, MN 55432 (612) 786-4239

2d Bn., 129th Inf., 37th Div. (Oct-Rockford, IL). Lee Augustine, 3219 N. Lawndale Ave., Chicago, IL 60618

3d Ord. Co. (MM) (WWII) (Sept-Niagara Falls, NY). Raymond Meger, 818 S. Huth Rd., Cheektowaga, NY 14225 (716) 632-1384

5th Inf. Regt. Assn. (July-Scarboro, ME). Robert Weston, 26 Park St., Portland, ME 04101

6th Arm'd Div. (July-Louisville, KY). Edward Reed, P.O. Box 5011, Louisville, KY 40205 (502) 451-9822

6th Inf. Regt. & Auxiliary Assn. (July-St. Louis County, MO). James Rushing, 5127 Waldo Ave., St. Louis, MO 63123 (314) 352-4931

9th Arm'd Engr. Bn. Assn. (WWII) (Aug-Milwaukee). Joseph Mohr, 6426 N. 93rd St., Milwaukee, WI 53224 (414) 353-3587

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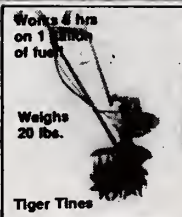
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- 25th Inf. Div. Assn. (WWII, Korea, Vietnam, Hawaii) (Oct-Anaheim, CA). George Murray, 863 Navajo Dr., Riverside, CA 92507 (714) 682-1332
- 28th Inf. Div. (WWI, WWII, Korea) (June-Pittsburgh). Leon Hancock, 105 Schar's Ln., Pittsburgh, PA 15237 (412) 364-8358
- 29th Div. Assn. (Sept-Baltimore). Ben Cassell, 525 Parksley Ave., Baltimore, MD 21223 (301) 233-3023
- 32d Div. Vets Assn. (Red Arrow) (Sept-Milwaukee). Thomas Makal, 7430 N. Bell Rd., Milwaukee, WI 53217 (414) 351-1014
- 34th Air Depot Group (Aug-Riverside, CA). Joe Myers, 2729 Ostrom Ave., Long Beach, CA 90815 (213) 421-2166
- 40th Engr. Combat Assn. (Sept-Milwaukee). Mrs. Del Byrnes, 3073 Firestone Dr., Sterling Hts., MI 48077 (313) 268-4657
- 46th Engr. Const. Bn. (WWII, Korea, Vietnam) (Sept-Tulsa, OK). Kenneth Boner, Rt. 2, Box 43B, Afton, OK 74331 (918) 782-3546
- 46th F.A. Bn., 5th Div. (July-Indianapolis). James Howenstine, 2909 Wane Ln., Ft. Wayne, IN 46808 (219) 432-8094
- 46th Signal Heavy Const. Bn. (WWII) (Aug-Marietta, OH). Leonard Wise, 4505 Hargrove Rd., Temple Hills, MD 20748 (301) 423-4221
- 49th Fighter Grp., 7th, 8th, 9th, Hq. Sqns. (July-San Antonio, TX). Ken Payne, 5927 Wildwood Dr., San Antonio, TX 78239
- 51st Medical Bn. Assn. (WWII) (June-Lancaster, PA). Wayne Lebo, 7 Penrose St., Harrisburg, PA 17109 (717) 545-8345
- 56th Portable Surgical Hospital (July-Greensburg, PA). Albert Oeler, 718 St. Agnes Ln., West Mifflin, PA 15122 (412) 466-7760
- 57th Field Hospital Assn. (July-Joplin, MO). John Webb, 2015 Harlem Ave., Joplin, MO 64801 (417) 623-8185
- 57th Fighter Grp., 64th, 65th, 66th Personnel (WWII) (Apr-Atlanta). L.C. Spencer, 521 Thoreau St., Smyrna, GA 30080
- 62d Engr. (Top) Co. (October). Earl Hillary, 7520 W.B. & A. Rd., Glen Burnie, MD 21061 (301) 761-2834
- 73d Army Engr. & L.P. Co. (Aug-Seattle). Andrew Mueller, 8744 18th Ave. NW, Seattle, WA 98117 (206) 784-4985
- 79th Gen. Hospital (Aug-Valparaiso, IN). Kenneth Rhoda, 610 Roosevelt Rd., Valparaiso, IN 46383 (219) 464-6383
- 80th Div. Vets. Assn. (Aug-Louisville, KY). Robert Murrell, P.O. Box 2, Oakmont, PA 15139
- 83d Inf. Div. Assn. (Sept-South Fallsburg, NY). Robert Derickson, 3749 Stahlheber Rd., Hamilton, OH 45013 (513) 863-2199
- 91st Gen. Hosp. Assn. (June-Madison, WI). Edna Bruhn, 91st Gen. Hosp., P.O. Box 104, Clinton, IA 52732
- 97th AAA Gun Bn. (Dog) (July-Gunnison, CO). Harold Kruger, Rt. 1, Gunnison, CO 81230
- 103d AA Barrage Balloon Btry. (July-Buffalo, NY). William Jaworski, 5643 Birchwood Dr., Lakeview, NY 14085 (716) 627-9560
- 106th Cavalry (June-Urbana, IL). Lyle Dawkins, 1808 Melinda Ln., Champaign, IL 61820
- 116th Cavalry Sq. (Oct-Chicago). James Bradley, 1110 Idaho St., Gary, IN 46403 (219) 938-0499
- 116th Signal Radio Int. Co. (June-Milwaukee). Wendell Maresh, 4221 S. 6th Ct. B1, Milwaukee, WI 53221 (414) 481-7413
- 125th AAA Gun Bn. (July-Columbus, OH). E.E. Ballert, P.O. Box 585, Bryan, OH 43506 (419) 636-3028
- 127th AAA Gun Bn. (Sept-Cleveland). Paul Alexa, 8144 Stockbridge Rd., Mentor, OH 44060 (216) 942-7711
- 127th Ord. MM Co. (July-Glasgow, KY). Rondall Ramey, Rt. 3, Glasgow, KY 42411 (502) 453-2302
- 131st Ord. Maint. Bn., 9th Arm'd Div. (Sept-Des Plaines, IL). Al Irwin, 617 Fletcher St., Mound City, KS 66056
- 138th, 198th F.A. Bns. Assn. (Aug-Louisville, KY). Lynn Raque, 3733 Mamaroneck Rd., Louisville, KY 40218 (502) 458-9057
- 150th Engr. (C) Bn. Assn. (May-Falmouth, MA). Philip Dobruck, 2 Dayton Ct., Newington, CT 06111
- 164th Inf. Assn. (North Dakota) (Oct-St. Paul, MN). Joe Juen, 2376 Cohansy Ave., St. Paul, MN 55113 (612) 484-3721
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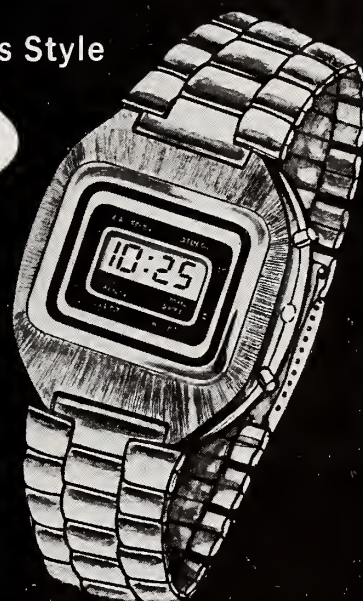
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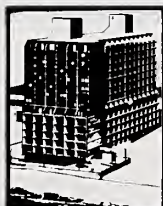
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243d Signal Oper. Co. (May-Hot Springs, AR). Ralph Foster, 901 E. 7th, Stuttgart, AR 72160 (501) 673-8753
245th Engr. Combat Bn. (All Cos.) (May-Baltimore). Charlie Spinner, 300 Sheffield Ct., Joppa, MD 21085
255th F.A. Bn. (WWII) (Sept-Philadelphia). Marvin George, 44 N. Jackson Ave., E2, San Jose, CA 95116 (408) 259-4927
256th Engr. Combat Bn. (July-Charlottesville, VA). James Jensen, 8254 NW Oakwood Dr., Ankeny, IA 50021
280th, 281st F.A. Bns. (July). Norman Larson, 27940 Ridgebluff Ct., Rancho Palos Verde, CA 90274
296th Engr. (C) Bn. (Oct-Hartford, CT). Joseph Civitillo, 9 Ireland Rd., Wetherfield, CT 06109 (203) 529-2652
307th Bomb. (H) Grp. (May-Reno, NV). Mrs. Cena Marsh, 1923 Atkin Ave., Salt Lake City, UT 84106 (801) 466-5805
309th Ord. MM Co. (August). Hardrock Harnedy, 2 Jackson St., Windsor Locks, CT 06096
313th Inf. Assn., 79th Div. (WWII) (July-Pittsburgh). George Kashmar, 840 E. Philadelphia Ave., Youngstown, OH 44502 (216) 788-4880
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344th Ord. Depot Co. (Sept-St. Louis). Joseph Krupski, 5677 Penrod Ave., St. Louis, MO 63169 (314) 351-3279
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Commander's Message

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problem in the deterioration of its 172 hospitals. Some of those hospitals were built prior to WWII. Many more were built right after WWII and are now outdated because they are incorrectly configured to accommodate the practice of "state of the art" medicine—which is different from medicine practiced before the 1950s.

For the government to protect its investment in the system, the planned program of renovation and replacement needs to be kept on schedule. But that's not being done. Every year for the past several years there have been rollbacks and deferrals in the construction program. The result is the system continues to deteriorate as the construction program falls further and further behind.

Last year, a replacement hospital in Baltimore and a geriatric specialty institution in Camden, NJ, were cancelled. On top of that, OMB cut the VA construction budget by an additional \$63.3 million. Those funds come no where near being restored in this latest VA budget.

Thus, as with the funding for research programs, The American Legion continues to vigorously oppose cutbacks of construction funds and seeks restoration of funds already lost.

Another facet of the construction budget reinforces our belief that now, particularly, is no time to allow the VA system to deteriorate further. Legislation is being readied in Congress that would designate the VA as the principal contingency back-up to the military medical system in the event of an outbreak of hostilities overseas.

The military medical system knows that in the event of such hostilities—as things now stand—they could not handle the first day's casualties. Any such overflow of injured would tax a VA medical system that's already strained to the limit and crumbling.

Finally, we will seek the restoration of the \$300 burial allowance for all honorably discharged veterans. This benefit—stricken from the 1982 budget and not reinstated in the 1983 budget—is now payable only to those who are in receipt of compensation or pension at time of death. This renders about 95 percent of the veteran population ineligible for the benefit.

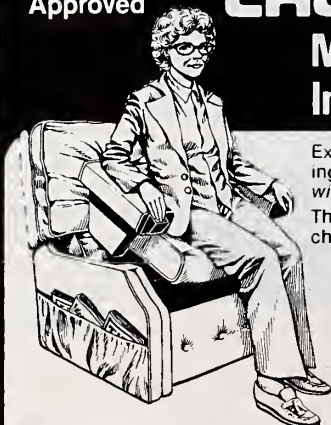
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funds, we intend reminding Congress that at least half of the veteran population does not approach the VA for *any* benefit during their lifetimes. Probably the most used benefit is the GI Home Loan Guaranty. But that's not a money benefit, only a guaranty.

Further, most veterans never enter a VA hospital. Statistics reveal the patient population of the VA hospital system is about 10 percent of the veteran population—the poorest 10 percent.

So the only direct benefit most veterans ever received from VA was the death benefit. Now that benefit has been taken away from them. I believe this is an inequitable action and violates the Legion principle of "equal benefits for equal service."

This is a grievous loss to the veteran population and explains why our staff is introducing draft legislation in the second session of the 97th Congress seeking restoration of the burial benefit and its increase to \$400.

The American Legion is, on the whole and considering the times, satisfied with the VA's proposed budget for fiscal year 1983. Everyone is making sacrifices these days: sacrifices in money, benefits and service. We understand and fully endorse our government's drive toward fiscal responsibility and a sound economy.

But the research and construction cuts I've described go beyond sacrifice. And without a burial benefit, many veterans will suffer a final humiliation—they will be forgotten by the land they fought for and face burial in an ignominious pauper's grave.

We in the Legion cannot let this happen.

As a veterans' organization and as individual veterans we must let our dissent be known on the Hill. Write to your Congressman and let him know that you cannot support further cutbacks in veterans benefits or funding of the VA.

Without restoration of the proposed cuts, the basic mission of the VA health care delivery system will be seriously damaged. And to repair that damage in the future will cost many times more than is presently perceived as a saving. When it comes to this vital area of the national budget, it is imperative that America not be "penny wise and pound foolish." ☉

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Till Death Do Us Part

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remains. "This is needless, preventable anguish," Dr. Bardill says. "My wife and I vowed 25 years ago that we would never part angry. Never since then has one of us left the house or gone to sleep after a dispute without first kissing and making up." He adds, with an engaging smile, "All other considerations aside, a policy of immediate kiss and make up has its own sweet rewards."

The human mind and spirit are resilient. The tears dry. Unreasonable self-recrimination becomes purged by logic. The memories do not become erased; the void, the loss, the sadness are still there. But the period of acute grief comes to an end, usually in a matter of a few weeks. "If it persists beyond about six weeks, professional counseling should be sought," Dr. Bardill advises, "preferably with a counselor who is accredited by the American Association for Marriage and Family Therapy." (To find members of AAMFT in your area phone the Association's referral service toll-free at 800-854-9876.)

Having come to terms with the tragedy, what now? How do you make a fresh start, a new life?

All knowledgeable sources agree that you should not hastily adopt any major decisions involving a significant alteration in your way of life. Judgments reached quickly in the aftermath of burying a mate are too often faulty. Dr. Newman suggests it is wise to delay major decisions for as much as a year. "You should certainly wait at least three months before undertaking any radical changes," Dr. Bardill says. "Even then it should be only after talking the proposals over thoroughly with competent advisors. Enough profound change has come into your life without quickly taking on more. That doesn't mean you shouldn't plan for the future—you should—but give those plans an opportunity to stand the test of time; in six or seven months your views may be entirely different."

"My first thought was that I must get away from everything that could remind me of the terrible ordeal I had just passed through," a widow recalls, "so as soon as possible after my husband's death I gave up my job and my apartment and moved to

another city. It was a mistake. I missed everything that had been familiar and comforting to me. In turning my back on reminders of my sorrow I had also turned my back on all the things that had brought me happiness, the things that gave me stability and a sense of belonging."

The best, most effective way to begin reweaving the torn tapestry of your life is not to flee but to resume normal activities and interests. Dr. Fabrikant encourages "a return to work and other usual activities and a resumption of a full social life as soon as possible." Dr. Bardill emphasizes and enlarges upon the same advice. "One of the worst things you can do is to isolate yourself. Get out among people. Because the pattern of your earlier social life probably fell into a 'couples' format, broaden your circle by making new friends among whom a 'singles' format is common. But in seeking new friends bear in mind that where you go determines the kind of people you meet. If you make the bar scene you wind up with bar-type people and for most of us that isn't what we want. There are too many more rewarding places than a bar stool—satisfying, productive alternatives like church clubs, cultural organizations of all kinds, sports and recreational groups, evening college classes geared to mature students, travel clubs, square dance groups, and so on. I know of several warm friendships that developed in such unlikely places as Weight Watchers, jogging trails and little theater groups. The point is that man is a social animal and you can't be social in a vacuum. You have to go where the people are."

Inevitably, in striking out for yourself in an enlarged social setting, you confront the question of dating the opposite sex. If I go out on a date, you ask yourself, am I breaking faith with my dead mate, am I being disloyal? No, say all of the experts emphatically. It is unnatural, unrealistic and harmful to shun the company of the opposite sex, they agree. Dr. Fabrikant cautions against dedicating oneself to the memory of the lost mate, to enshrining her or him, and to resisting getting back into the "real world of other people, both male and female."

Eventually, for many marital survivors, the matter of remarriage comes to the fore and it is now that the feeling of disloyalty to the former partner is likely to be strongest. "This is illogical and, in fact, it even does a disservice to the memory of the dead mate," according to Dr. Bardill. "When one remarries it is really a testimonial to the former spouse. It says that that marriage was so happy, so fulfilling, that you want once again to be married."

Three years ago widespread public attention was focused on the courageous efforts of Marvella Bayh—wife of the then senator from Indiana—to cope with the cancer that was taking her life. Because he is a prominent figure whose words carry weight and because the events are fresh in his mind, I asked Senator Birch Bayh to share with readers of *The American Legion Magazine* his experiences in coming to grips with the tragedy. "My wife and I were extremely close," he says. "She was my right arm, my heart and my soul, so losing her was the ultimate loss. Three factors helped me to cope.

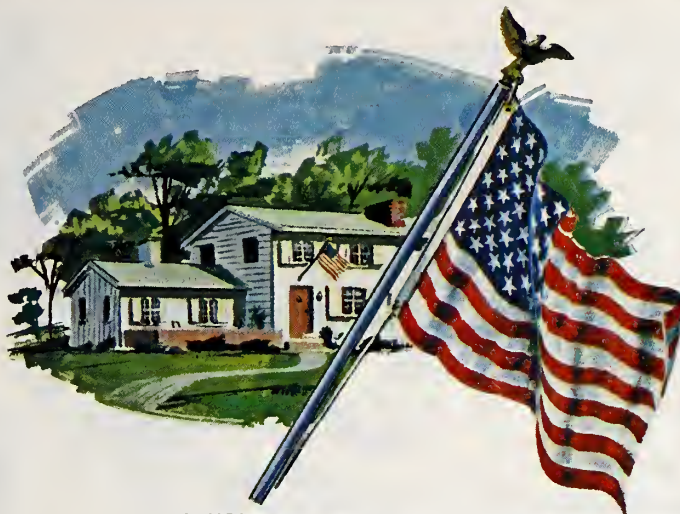
"First, our deep faith prepared us to accept the Lord's will. I must confess as a mere mortal I could not understand why one so full of life and so occupied with helping others should be taken prematurely, but I accept that the Almighty knew better. Second, since my wife during her life had done so much good I tried to dwell on the fact that her good works were continuing even after she went on. Third, my son Evan was a tremendous comfort to me. Not only were we able to console one another, but Evan provided living proof that his mother lived on through him.

"We have to grieve and we have to cry—there is nothing unmanly about tears. We have to take solace from the positive aspects of the one who has gone on. And we have to go on living, trying to make our lives count for something." Recently, he remarried. Dr. Bardill would call it a testimonial to the great happiness he had found in marriage to Marvella.

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War On Drugs:

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ational facilities.

Once in the service, most young recruits experience what sociologists call a "culture shock." Away from home, many for the first time, the young GIs are thrust into a harsh new environment that can breed tension and frustration. In such circumstances, drugs and alcohol can be tempting means of escape, especially when supplies are readily available and relatively inexpensive. A 1979 Congressional survey, for example, reported that the supply of hashish in West Germany "appears to be virtually unlimited."

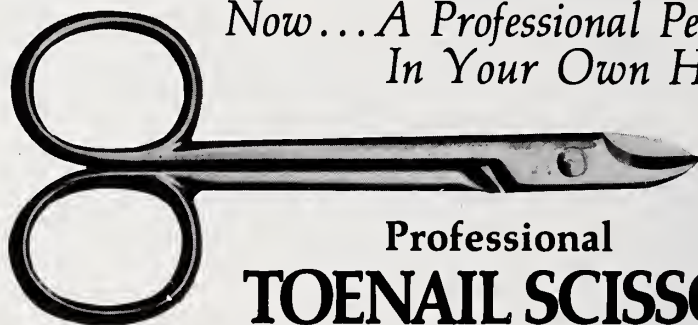
Peer pressure from service members already on the stuff exerts added influence on susceptible newcomers, particularly in overcrowded and substandard barracks in West Germany and in cramped quarters aboard ship for months at a time. An Army report sent to Congress last April estimated that the U.S. Army in Europe needs \$1.5 billion just to repair some of its 30,000-odd buildings scattered about its bases. In one area of West Germany, U.S. troops are housed in converted 19th century cavalry stables.

High living costs off base or on shore leave also present difficulties. Travel and recreation can be prohibitively expensive. And language and social barriers often discourage fraternization with the local populace. Amid such conditions, discipline can be difficult to maintain.

Congressional investigators quoted Specialist Fourth Class Stephaney Sellers, a drug counselor with an engineer battalion in West Germany, as saying: "There is a whole realm where drug abuse gets mixed up with immaturity." According to Sgt. James Henderson, attached to another West German Army unit, some GIs who can't stand the pressure or the hard work use drugs as a "cop out" to exit the service early. "They are tempted by the honorable discharge that awaits those who undergo treatment and cannot be rehabilitated," he said.

Stateside duty also is vulnerable to drug and alcohol abuse. The St. Petersburg *Times* quoted Robert Chumney, Jr., an area resident and former Marine who is now undergoing treatment for drug addiction, as saying: "It was 80,000 Marines (at Camp LeJeune) with nothing to do but get high. You've got all this

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Chumney is receiving treatment in a civilian program because the VA says his drug problem is not service connected. At the same time, Dr. Stewart Baker, Director of VA's alcohol and drug dependency programs, acknowledges that the drug abuse problems of veterans are too widespread for the VA's 52 drug treatment centers to handle alone.

The easy solution, it would seem, would be to cut off the supply—hence, fewer abusers. Yet, at best, the traffic can only be curbed. Despite tightened surveillance and frequent drug "busts," there is no realistic way to cut off the flow of narcotics completely. Thanks to the cooperation of local authorities and a joint military task force in West Berlin, the pushing of potent Middle East heroin to American troops in West Germany has been slowed from a tide to a trickle. But hashish, which is up to 10 times more potent than pot, is abundantly available to most service personnel. Furthermore, GIs can buy "uppers" across drugstore counters in West Germany where the stimulant is called Mandrax. Also, U.S. postal regulations prohibiting military authorities from intercepting and opening mail suspected of containing drugs has allowed the postal-order drug trade to flourish unimpeded.

All of this places the main burden for combating drugs on the shoulders of unit commanders and others in direct, day-to-day contact with the ranks. The Pentagon can provide the tools—portable urinalysis kits, educational films, mess hall lectures, MPs and Shore Patrols outside local nightspots and the like—but it's up to the officers in charge to see that the tools are used effectively. From the top to the bottom, the heat's on to assign the problem high priority, right up there with gunnery practice, airplane maintenance and ship performance. Congress wants action, not more studies.

Of all the services, the Navy is now trying to do the most, presumably because its drug-abuse problem is among the worst. For example, a recent spotcheck of Navy enlisted personnel at bases in Norfolk, VA, and San Diego, CA, indicated that 48 percent had smoked marijuana dur-

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ing the previous 10 days. Convinced of the seriousness of the problem, the Navy last year launched a new get-tough policy. As outlined by Adm. Harry Train, Commander of the Atlantic Fleet, enlisted men and women caught with even a single marijuana "joint" will be given just two chances to shape up before being shipped out. And any officer found in possession of pot or another illegal drug will be given the boot immediately.

From now on, said the Navy, the emphasis will be on punishment and discharge for drug offenders, not just on treatment and discipline. To enforce the crackdown, the Navy is beefing up its spotcheck measures. The number of teams with drug-sniffing dogs is going from 78 to 200. The deployment of portable urinalysis drug-testing kits is being increased from 33 to 216. And more than 300 agents and administrative personnel are being added to the Navy's worldwide investigative staff.

At the same time, the Navy is expanding its drug-abuse education programs at all levels, on land and at sea. As Rear Adm. Paul J. Mulloy, the Navy's Director of Human Resources and Management, told the *Legion* magazine: "We must not allow those who abuse drugs to besmirch the great majority of our sailors who have earned us our rightful reputation as the finest Navy in the world."

The get-tough policy on drugs reflects an overall change of attitude on discipline. Adm. Thomas Hayward, Chief of Naval Operations, has instituted a program called "Pride and Professionalism" that's designed to restore some of the Navy's standards that were relaxed during the 1960s and '70s.

As Rear Adm. Bruce Newell described his new orders: "We're not undoing what was done, but this is the '80s. We're preparing for a 600-ship Navy, and the country is moving in a new direction ... We're ready to toughen up our act."

In tightening discipline, the Navy is taking a page from the Air Force's book. That service's comparatively good record on combating drug abuse is attributed in large part to extra careful screening of inductees, and swift punishment and discharge for those who break the rules. As ex-

plained by Maj. Gen. William R. Usher, Director of Air Force Personnel Plans, over the past five years more than 3,000 Air Force personnel have been removed from duty involving nuclear weapons because of drug or alcohol abuse. Any such abuse, past or present, by members of the "personnel reliability program," as Air Force nuclear units are called, is cause for instant transfer or dismissal.

Similarly, surprise urine tests administered recently at a missile and space research unit at Hickam Air Force Base in Hawaii resulted in summary removal from duty of 19 enlisted men assigned to the unit. The tests revealed that the men had smoked marijuana within the past 15 days.

Nonetheless, some critics of the military's anti-drug efforts remain skeptical. One such critic is Addabbo, whose Defense Appropriations Subcommittee held the widely publicized hearings into the *Nimitz* accident last year. Those hearings produced charges that the military had "covered up" a 1968 study that found that more than 25 percent of the personnel questioned at 12 bases and aboard one aircraft carrier were "on" illegal drugs. Addabbo says more reforms are urgently needed. Noting that only three drug-control officers were assigned to the carrier's 6,000 member complement, the Congressman charged that "the drug problem is so bad on the *Nimitz* that in the six months prior to the crash there were 124 formal cases of court-martial or non-judicial punishment against the crew."

Addabbo's subcommittee late last year sent its own team of investigators into the field to study military readiness and drug and alcohol abuse. According to the Congressman, the investigators found that "the equivalent of about four U.S. combat infantry battalions assigned to Europe are lost because of drug abuse." In addition, said Addabbo, "the investigative staff uncovered a surprisingly high number of drug infractions and arrests at sensitive military locations. Included among the offenders were a number of military police on physical security assignments."

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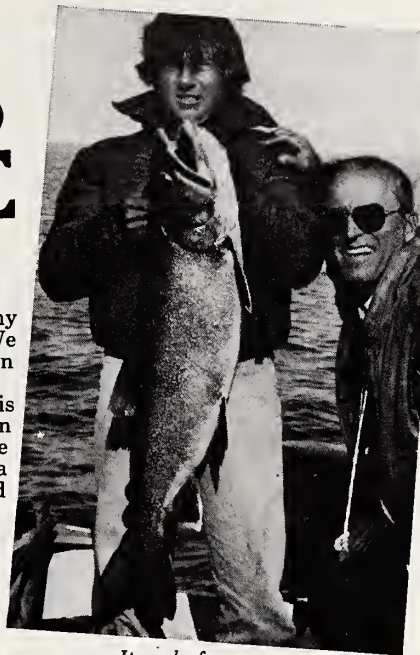
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Adds the general: "No other institution in the United States has taken as hard a look at their substance problem as has the military. In this respect, we stand alone. I'd like to see the same kind of righteous indignation that is directed at the military applied also to the high schools, colleges and workplaces."

General Louisell believes that the problem will be solved only if all segments of society work together. "In the military," he says, "we know there are no magic wands or silver bullets. Education and training are not the only answers. Treatment and rehabilitation are not the only answers. Assessment of the problem certainly is not the only answer. Like any complex human problem of the kind we face in the military environment, it requires an across-the-board command approach. We've got to use all our resources."

It's his belief, based on years of experience, that the key to the problem is discipline. "Applied in a sensitive, intelligent, fair and consistent manner," he insists, "discipline can reestablish the rules of an orderly society—a society to which the great majority of our young people want to belong."

As for those Americans who despair over the behavior of the younger generation, General Louisell, who has three grown children, offers this encouragement. "I have seen what tremendous things our young people can do under pressure; the enthusiasm and eagerness to rise above themselves and become bigger and better. It is this kind of response to challenge that keeps our military commanders going."

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Letters

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Truoi Bridge" (January). I served with the 101st A/B Div. 68/69 in the Phu Bai area and I can vouch for the accuracy and description of terror in such battles as he described.

EARL G. HAYS
Carmi, IL

• As I spent some time at Truoi Bridge with the 101st A/B in 1969, it was interesting to read Johnnie Clark's account of what happened there a year before, in "Battle For Truoi Bridge." As I read his tale I got out the pictures I had taken of the bridge and surrounding area. His description of the location, the buildings and the fighting positions was vivid and accurate. It is most appropriate that our magazine include articles of such battles and struggles in Southeast Asia.

GORDON J. NELSON
Minnesota City, MN

Boxers

• Heretofore I have considered The American Legion Magazine to be directed only toward male readers. However, I have discovered how much I have been missing after reading Paul Martin's "Where Have All The Boxers Gone?" (January). Yours is a well edited and relevant publication. I await with pleasure future issues.

ADELAIDE ZIMMERMAN
Wellsburg, WV

• Two glaring errors were missed in Paul Martin's "Where Have All The Boxers Gone?" It was Marcel Cerdan, not Gerdan, and Willie Pep, not Pip.

STEVE STEELE
Saint Paul, MN

The Commander

• I agree with Commander Flynt in "A System That Works" (February). The draft system is as essential as an increase in our supply of military armament and equipment.

JOHN GARWOOD
Austin, TX

• The author of "Burma Shave" was incorrectly identified in our March issue. The author should have been identified as David L. Sudhalter. The Magazine regrets the error.

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the family. Public officials sent telegrams, and Congress passed resolutions."

"It's the spirit of the Sullivans," said Vice President Henry Wallace, "that will enable the United States to gain a complete victory." Two writers collaborated on a book about the Sullivans, and Hollywood rushed a film into production.

And the Sullivan pluck survived in name as well as spirit. On September 30, 1943, *The Sullivans*—a brand new destroyer—steamed out of San Francisco Bay. *The Sullivans* became one of the fightingest ships in the Pacific, seeing action in every major phase of that campaign. From the Marshalls to Okinawa to Iwo Jima to the carrier sweep into Tokyo, *The Sullivans* was (some say "were") there.

Thomas and Alleta Sullivan—at the request of the Navy—toured shipyards and munitions factories to urge workers toward greater production. Time after time they choked back grief and spoke from their hearts.

"We cannot give up because our boys are gone," said Mrs. Sullivan at a defense plant rally in 1943. "If we had any other boys, I would want them to join the Navy too. And we at home have to keep things moving . . . have to get the materials through to the other boys. The sooner we turn out more ships and tanks and planes, the sooner American boys will come home."

But even Alleta Sullivan's brave spirit faltered when the war ended and thousands of boys did come marching home. "She feels quite bad," daughter Genevieve told reporters. "She's glad for the other boys coming home . . . but hers won't be back."

Today, the destroyer *The Sullivans* stands as a memorial in the Buffalo, NY, Naval Park. But it is not the only lasting tribute to the fighting Sullivan brothers of Waterloo.

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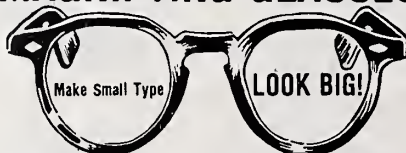


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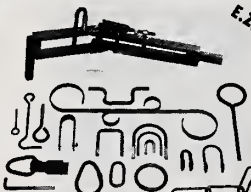
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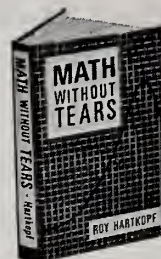
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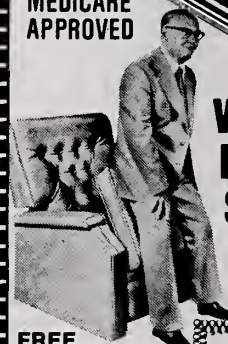
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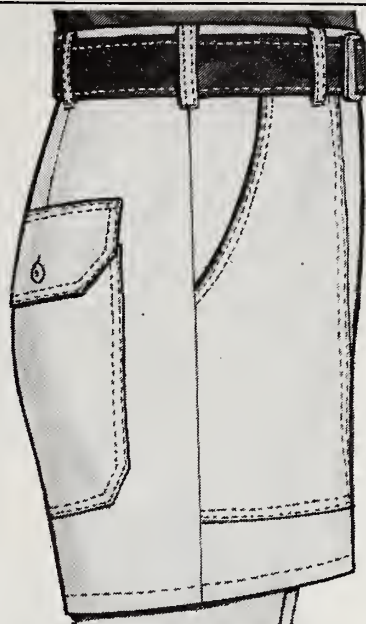


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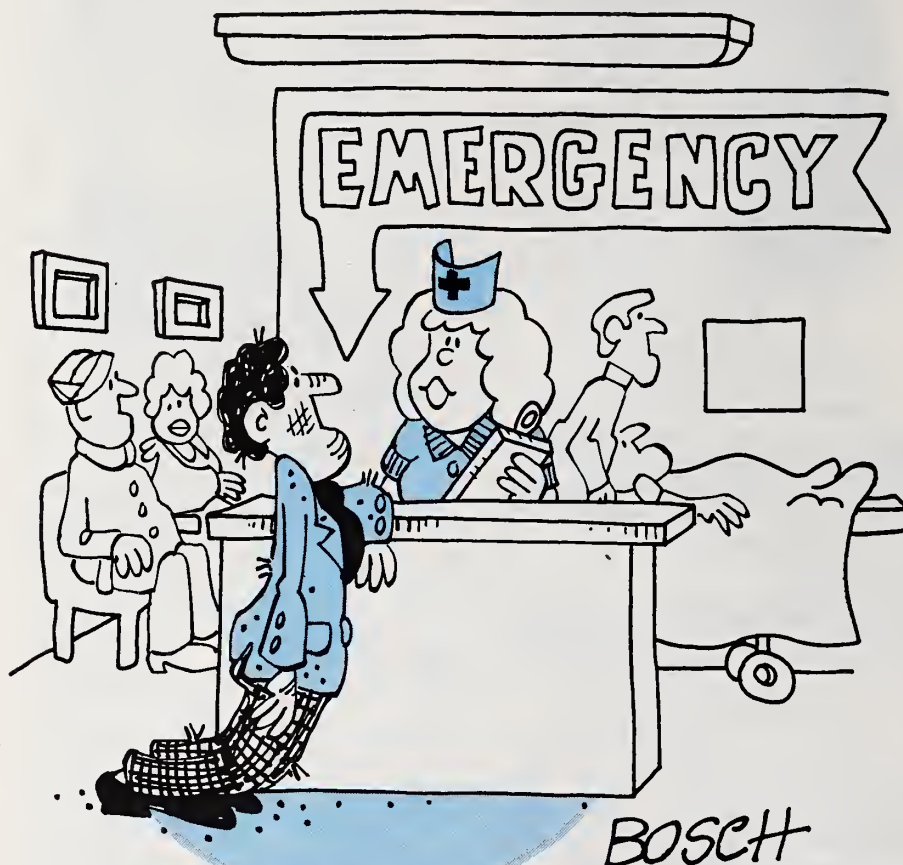
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St. Peter replied, "They're all down below; open that door and you can see them."

So the businessman opened the door. A big band was playing, and they were dancing and singing. The man asked, "Why is a big band playing down there and it's so quiet up here?"

St. Peter replied, "You don't think I'm going to book a big band for just two people?"

—ROGER EMBRY

Two cannibals were having dinner and one said to the other: "You know, I just can't stand my mother-in-law."

"No problem," the other said, "just eat the vegetables."

—GEORGE E. BERGMAN

Remember—a diamond is a piece of coal that made good under pressure.

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—ROSEMARIE WILLIAMSON

Note on inflation: A panhandler walked up to a man and said: "Mister, could you spare an extra money-market certificate?"

—MATTHEW DANIEL

There's only one trouble with the old saying, "One for the money, two for the show; three to get ready; four to go." When you get home, it's 10 for the baby sitter.

—KAREN CONNOR

Have you a Parting Shot of your own? The American Legion Magazine will pay \$15 for each joke or short verse it prints. Send them to Parting Shots Editor, The American Legion Magazine, P.O. Box 1055, Indianapolis, IN 46206. Sorry, we can't acknowledge or return submissions unless you include a self-addressed, stamped envelope.

Turtle Torture

Three turtles decided to go on a picnic. They packed their lunches and went to the river bank. But before they could begin to eat it started to rain. They decided one must go back for an umbrella. The smallest turtle finally agreed to go if the others would promise not to eat the sandwiches while he was gone.

The two turtles waited a day, a week, a month, until finally a year had gone by. At last one turtle said to the other, "He's not coming back, let's go ahead and eat." Just then the little turtle stuck his neck out from behind a nearby rock and said, "If you do, I won't go."

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—RUTH M. WALSH

A youngster took a composition called "Our Cat" to school.

The teacher said, "This is the same story your sister handed in last year."

"Why not?" said the child. "It's the same cat."

—GEORGE L. WINTERS

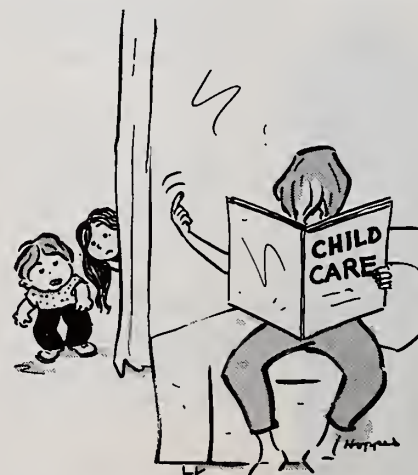
Brave Buddy

Two boys walked into the dentist's office. One faced the dentist boldly and said,

"Doc, I want a tooth taken out and I don't want no gas 'cause I'm in a hurry." "I must say you're a brave boy," said the dentist, "which tooth is it?"

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—JOAN SMITH



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